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Births.

BRONE.—At her residence, Ness House, Singleton, the wife of A. E. Brone, of a daughter, premature. Melbourne papers please copy.

CAMPBELL.—May 8, at Glenroy, Victoria-square, Ashfield, the wife of T. C. Campbell, Yarragal, Burrendong, of a daughter.

COHEN.—April 29, at her residence, Ruperra, Ithaca-road, Elizabeth Bay, the wife of E. Purcell Cohen, of a son.

LITTLE.—May 8, at her residence, Waiwera, Strathfield, the wife of Chas. Little, of a son.

MACDONALD.—May 7, at her residence, 18 Phillip-street, Kamore, wife of Robert Macdonald, of a son.

M'KAY.—April 17, at Bank of New South Wales, Ryde, the wife of A. J. M'Kay, of a daughter.

POOLEY.—May 12, at her residence, Walton, Tennyson, the wife of W. R. Kent Pooley, of a daughter.

WALSH.—May 8, at her residence, 15 Bourke-street, Woolloomooloo, wife of John Walsh, of a daughter.

Marriages.

BARKER—HICKINBOTHAM.—April 6, at St. Barnabas' Church, by the Rev. W. Martin, Charles E. Barker, of Tasmania, to Amy L. Hickinbotham, of Melbourne.

BRIERLY—LOCKYER.—May 11, 1898, at St. Mark's Church, Darling Point, by the Rev. Willoughby Flower, Frank S. Brierly, of Darlinghurst, to Beatrice Thyra, third daughter of the late Chas. Weeden Lockyer, of Darlinghurst.

DOBBIN—VERNON.—May 10, at St. Paul's, Hornsby, by the Rev. R. King, John Henry Brooke, younger son of the late H. B. Dobbin, barrister-at-law, of Dublin and Armagh, to Margaret Evelyn, elder daughter of W. L. Vernon, of Sydney.

LEE—ADAMS.—May 11, 1898, at the residence of the bride's parents, 286 Oxford-street, Paddington, by the Rev. J. Fulton, Thomas William, eldest son of T. Lee, of Paddington, to Eunice Jane, only daughter of Daniel H. Adams, Esq., late commercial traveller.

MILLARD—GOUGH.—April 26, at Adelaide, by the Very Reverend Archpriest Nevin, Valentine Henry, fourth son of the late Rev. H. S. Millard, of Newcastle, N.S.W., to Beatrice Maud Blomfield, second daughter of T. B. Gough, R.N., of Surrey Hills, Melbourne.

MURPHY—FORSTER.—April 18, 1891, by special license, at St. Charles', Waverley, by the Very Rev. P. B. Kennedy, O.S.F., assisted by the Rev. M. B. Gaynor, O.S.F., Joseph James, second son of the late Felix Murphy, of Surry Hills, to Annie Christina Forster (nee Carne), youngest daughter of Mrs. E. M. Carne, late of Ashfield.

NEWLEY—WHITE.—March 27, at the Public School, Armidale, by the Rev. H. Granville Smith, of Tenterfield, Edwin, third (surviving) son of J. Newley, of Armidale, to Eva Geddes, third (surviving) daughter of M. C. White, Bingara.

O'BRIEN—DUFFY.—April 27, at St. Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane, by the Rev. Father O'Riley, Patrick Joseph O'Brien, Tweed River, to Kate, second daughter of the late William Duffy, of Strokestown, county Roscommon, Ireland.

O'BRIEN—HUGHES.—March 17, 1898, at St. Benedict's, by the Rev. Father Carroll, William O'Brien, Sydney, to Emilie A. (Emm.), fifth daughter of William Hughes, of Rose-street, Darlington.

PHILLIPS—HEELS.—May 4, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. James Green, of Balmain, William Phillips, only son of B. Phillips, of Leichhardt, to Charlotte Heels, eldest daughter of Thomas Heels, Balmain.

POWER—MORRIS.—April 20, at the Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, by the Rev. Father Collins, P.P., Mary Josephine Morris, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Morris, Epsom-rd., Waterloo, to George Power, third son of the late Robert Power, of Toongabbee.

RAPHAEL—GORMAN.—May 10, at Woollahra (privately), A. J. A. Raphael, third son of late Alderman A. J. Raphael, of Christchurch, New Zealand, nephew of J. G. Raphael, of Sydney, Hy. Raphael, Victoria, and Ralph Raphael, Adelaide, to Jennie Gorman, eldest daughter of John William Gorman, late of Sydney, grand-daughter of William Kelly, of Sydney, and niece of Thomas West, of Rosehill.

RICHARDS—SAUNDERS.—March 28, at St. Michael's Church, Surry Hills, by the Rev. Dr. Manning, LL.D., Edwin Albert Ernest, youngest son of T. E. Richards, Esq., photographer, to Agnes, second daughter of Joseph Saunders, of Lands Office, Sydney.

THOM—HORN.—March 30, at Campbell-street Presbyterian Church, Balmain, by the Rev. James Cosh, M.A., D.D., William Stronach, eldest (living) son of the late Rev. William Thom, M.A., of Ballan, Victoria, and eldest (living) grandson of the late Sir Henry Parkes, G.C.M.G., to Bertha Caroline Emelia, eldest daughter of J. P. Horn, of Asphodel, Balmain.

Deaths.

BASTION.—May 13, 1898, Fanny, beloved wife of William John Bastion, plumber and gasfitter, 38 Glebe-street, Glebe, aged 26 years.

BAUMANN.—May 10, 1898, at Boulder Hospital, Kalgoorlie, W.A., John, dearly beloved eldest son of Nicholas and Mary Baumann, and beloved husband of Amy Baumann, of Lucknow, Orange, aged 25 years. Deeply regretted. R.I.P.

COX.—May 13, at 15 Craigend-street, Darlinghurst, Ernest King Cox, youngest son of the late Edward King Cox, of Fernhill, Mulgoa, aged 33 years.

HARMER.—May 6, at Rydalmere, William Harmer, the dearly beloved father of William J. Harmer, of North Sydney, late of Watson's Bay, aged 86 years.

LANE.—May 12, at Sydney Hospital, Thadeus Henry Lane, late of 168 Forbes-street, aged 59 years.

MACDONALD.—May 13, at her residence, 18 Phillip-street, Tottie Macdonald, wife of Robert Macdonald, aged 34 years.

M'ARDLE.—April 5, at her late residence, Bay-street, Double Bay, Margaret M'Ardle (nee Hickey), aged 77, daughter of the late Robert Guy, Newery, Ireland. Inserted by a friend.

M'GREGOR.—May 13, at Sydney Hospital, of concussion of the brain, James M'Gregor, late seaman of S.S. Miowera. Deeply regretted.

MARSHALL.—May 13, at Adaminaby (late of Hunter's Hill), John Marshall, aged 45 years.

MASTERS.—May 11, at her residence, Mitchell's Island, Manning River, Ada, beloved wife of D. Masters, jun., aged 20, dearly beloved sister of Mrs. Archd. Thompson, and Mr. Archd. J. F. M'Pherson, of 5 Broughton-street, Paddington. Deeply mourned.

NELSON.—May 13, at her parents' residence, Fordon, 32 Darlinghurst-road, Esther, the youngest beloved daughter of Henry and Rose Nelson, aged 15 years and 3 months.

O'DONNELL.—May 6, at the Maitland wreck, William, fourth dearly beloved son of T. T. O'Donnell, of East Granville, aged 36 years, leaving a devoted wife and four children to mourn their loss.

PAINE.—May 9, 1898, at his residence, Blacktown, Alfred Paine, aged 71 years, only son of the late Robert Paine, of Gravesend, England, leaving one son and five daughters to mourn their sad loss.

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A loving parent, too, as well,
When he on earth with us did dwell.

PATTRICK.—May 13, 1898, at Devonshire Cottage, Smith-street, Summer Hill, George Pattrick, late of Appin, near Campbelltown, son of the late Thomas Pattrick, Greenwich, England, in his 74th year.

PATTRICK.—May 13, at Devonshire Cottage, Smith-street, Summer Hill, George, the dearly loved husband of Anne Elizabeth Pattrick, in his 74th year.

QUINN.—May 13, 1898, at his residence, 170 Glenmore-road, Edward Quinn, in the 70th year of his age.

SCOTT.—May 13, at her residence, Water-street, Wahroonga, Mary, the beloved wife of Mungo Scott, of Aitkin and Scott, aged 65 years.

SPIER.—May 10, at Kalgoorlie Hospital, W.A., of typhoid fever, Charles H., eldest son of Mr. C. Spier, Melbourne, late of Eaglehawk, Victoria, and brother of Mrs. John Phillips, 83 Albion-street, Surry Hills, aged 32 years. Bendigo papers please copy.

TURNER.—May 3, at Digby Curlewis, Ronald James, youngest child of Edwin W. and Josephine Turner, aged 4 years and 3 months. Suffocated by swallowing small bone. Victorian and West Australian papers please copy.

WADDELL.—May 2, at Sydney Hospital, William Waddell, aged 47 years.

WALKER.—At his residence, Crickenbah, Gosford, Robert Walker, aged 64. Late of Mogil Mogil.

In Memoriam.

CROOK.—In sad but loving remembrance of Charles O. R. Crook, died May 14, 1895. Inserted by his loving wife and family.

COONAN.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Ellen Coonan, who died at her residence, Alexander-street, North Sydney, 15th May, 1894. R.I.P. Inserted by her loving husband, John Coonan.

HILL.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Ellen Hill, who died May 14th, 1894, in her 70th year.
Oh, how I wish for a touch of that vanished hand
And the sound of a voice that is still.
Inserted by her loving daughter, F. E. V. Bryant.

O'GORMAN.—In fond and loving remembrance of our dearly beloved mother, Bridget O'Gorman, who died on May 15, 1894. Inserted by her loving sons and daughter, John, James, and Mary O'Gorman. Dead, but not forgotten.

TOMPSON.—In loving remembrance of my dear mother, Henrietta Tompson, who departed this life at Windeyer on May 1st, 1897, aged 63 years. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving daughter, M. E. Vranick.

TORR.—In loving memory of my dear mother, who departed this life May 14, 1897. Inserted by her loving son, Lawrence Arthur Torr.

VANDENBERG.—Sacred to the memory of our dear father, Levy Vandenberg, who departed this life May 14, 1894. Inserted by his loving sons, Samuel and Herbert Vandenberg.

WILLIAMS.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Georgette A. M. Williams, who departed this life May 15, 1897, at Chandos-street, North Sydney. Inserted by her loving husband and child, George and Cathleen Williams.

WILLIAMS.—In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Georgette, who died 15th May, 1897. "Thy will be done." Inserted by her sorrowing parents, brother, and sister-in-law, G. and J. and M. and K. Goble.

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Mrs. LUDVIGSEN desires to return THANKS to her many kind friends for their sympathy in her recent sad bereavement; also to the friends who assisted her with a social, and to the National Shipwreck Society for their kindly aid.

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*ORIZABA	[illegible]	A. W. Clarke, R.N.R.	May 14	May 17	May 19
OROYA	6297	A. MacWatt	May 28	May 31	June 2
CUZCO	3918	A. T. Pritchard, R.N.R.	June 11	June 14	June 16
ORUBA	5857	J. Richards	June 25	June 28	June 30
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WM. LAWSON DASH, Resident Secretary.

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ESTATE JOHN BOOTH (Deceased).

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THE Public are hereby informed that all money due to the undersigned shall not be paid to any person unless a written authority issued by me and a printed receipt be produced. Signed, CHAS. KINSELA, Funeral Director, 116 Oxford-street, 78 Darlinghurst-road, 765 George-street, and other branches.

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TICKETS AT SPECIALLY LOW FARES will be issued at Sydney and intermediate Suburban Stations to all Main Line Stations, Menangle to Albury inclusive, by the undermentioned Special Train, available for return up to and including THURSDAY, 2nd JUNE, 1898, but passengers can only return by the trains specified, viz.:—From all stations beyond Goulburn, by the up Mail Train. Passengers from stations, Harden to Yarra inclusive, may also travel by the 4.20 a.m. Mixed Train from Harden on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. From all stations, Goulburn to Menangle inclusive, by any train except the Up Mail and Up Melbourne Express Trains.

THURSDAY, 19th MAY, 1898.

Stations.		Time.	Fares from Sydney. 1st Class Return.	2nd Class Return.
		p.m.	s d	s d
Sydney	dep.	1.20	—	—
Goulburn	arr.	6.54	23 0	11 6
Yass Junction	"	8.53	31 0	15 6
Harden	"	10.45	38 0	19 0
Cootamundra	"	11.55	42 0	21 0
		a.m.		
Junee Junction	"	1.10	48 0	24 0
Wagga Wagga	"	2.8	50 0	25 0
Albury	"	4.30	60 0	30 0

RETURN TICKETS at Specially Low Fares will also be issued TO SYDNEY from All Main Line Stations, Albury to Demondrille Junction inclusive, by Special Train leaving Albury at 5.35 a.m., and from Stations Murrumburrah to Menangle inclusive by Special Train leaving Murrumburrah at 10.50 a.m. on FRIDAY, 20th MAY.

RETURN TICKETS at 2d per mile first-class (minimum 10s) and 1d per mile second-class (minimum 5s) will be issued from Stations on the Main Southern Line to Stations Goulburn to Mittagong inclusive by the Special Trains from Albury and Murrumburrah.

These Tickets will be available for return up to and including FRIDAY, 3rd JUNE, 1898, but passengers can only return by the trains specified, viz.:—To Stations Menangle to Goulburn inclusive, by any train except the Melbourne Express and 9.0 p.m. Mail; to Stations south of Goulburn, by Special Train leaving Sydney at 8.50 p.m. on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and FRIDAYS ONLY. Passengers for Stations between Goulburn and Harden may also travel by the 8.30 a.m. train from Sydney on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, FRIDAYS, and SATURDAYS.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.
TUESDAY, 24th MAY, 1898.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued from all stations to all stations (except for distances not exceeding 13 miles between stations in the Metropolitan, Suburban, and Newcastle Suburban sections), commencing with the day trains leaving terminal station on WEDNESDAY, 18th May, and thereafter by all trains until TUESDAY, 24th May, available for return until TUESDAY, 31st May, 1898, inclusive.

CHEAP EXCURSION TICKETS WILL ALSO BE ISSUED TO AND FROM THE COUNTRY BY CERTAIN SPECIFIED TRAINS.
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By order of the Commissioners.
H. M'LACHLAN, Secretary.

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WALLAROO v. SYDNEY,
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THE NEW SOUTH WALES FEDERAL ASSOCIATION, 82A Pitt-street.—The Members of the different Committees meet daily 4.30. W. H. B. PIDDINGTON, D. H. BUCKNELL, H. G. FREEMAN, F. S. BOYCE, Hon. Secs. A. W. MEEKS, DUGALD THOMSON, Hon. Treas.

COLONISTS' ANTI-CONVENTION BILL LEAGUE.
TO-NIGHT: Balmain, Williams's Balcony, Darling and Beattie sts., W. H. Wilks and S. J. Law, Ms.L.A.; Katoomba, C. Von Bagen and Alfred Allen, Esqs.; Wollongong, E. D. Millen & J. B. Nicholson, Ms.L.A.
C. M'KAY SMITH, Secretary.

THE CONVENTION BILL.
Mr DAVID STOREY, M.P., will Address a MONSTER MEETING of the Electors of the EASTERN SUBURBS, in the TOWN HALL, PADDINGTON, on MONDAY NIGHT, MAY 16th, at 8 o'clock.
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His Worship the Mayor of Paddington (Alderman West) will preside.

TO-NIGHT, Marrickville Town Hall, under the auspices of the Marrickville Branch of the Anti-Convention Bill League, Alderman JOHN NORTON will Address the Electors on the Convention Bill. G. Leslie, secretary.

N.S.W. FEDERAL ASSOCIATION.
South Sydney Branch.
A Public MEETING will be held at Durack's Hotel, Campbell and Elizabeth streets, THIS (Saturday) EVENING, at 8 o'clock. Speakers, Walter Edmunds and H. C. G. Moss. Chairman, George Lewis. WM. ROOKE, Hon. Sec.

FEDERATION and Coloured Labour.—Meetg. Domain, Sunday. Speakers, Messrs. Ross, Douglass, and Dodd.

NO. 54, L.O.L.—Members will attend Lecture under No. 232's auspices MONDAY NIGHT, 8.

MODEL LODGING-HOUSE COMPANY OF SYDNEY, Limited.
The Annual General MEETING of the Shareholders of this Company is CONVENED for THURSDAY, 19th May, at 2.30 p.m., at the House, 211 Kent-street, for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report, the Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheet, and to elect two Directors and an Auditor.
By order of the Board.
E. HAVILAND, Secretary.
May 2nd, 1898.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.
ELECTION OF AUDITOR.
NEVILLE DOWLING,
Auditor to the above Society for the years 1888-89, 1891-92, and 1894-5 seeks Re-election, and solicits the Votes and Interest of the Members of the Society.
Personal voting necessary at the Head Office, Pitt-street.
The Election will take place MONDAY Next, 16th MAY.
Ballot takes place between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

A. M. P. SOCIETY.
BALLOT at HEAD OFFICE, MONDAY, 16th Instant, 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
WILLIAM H. PERRY, A.S.I.A.
(James Robertson, Perry, and Co., Accountants, 173 Pitt-street),
is a CANDIDATE for the Position of AUDITOR,
and Solicits the favour of the Votes and Interest of Members.

THE BROKEN HILL JUNCTION SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-fourth Half-yearly General MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Board-room, Prell's-buildings, corner of Collins and Queen streets, Melbourne, on TUESDAY, 31st MAY, 1898, at 2.30 p.m.
Business:
1. To receive Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for half-year ended 31st March, 1898.
2. To elect Directors. Messrs. Bennett Johns and G. F. Ind retire in accordance with the Company's regulations, but are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.
3. To elect Auditors. Messrs. G. R. Annells and F. D. Woodforde retire, but are eligible and seek re-election.
4. To transact any ordinary business that may be brought forward by the Directors.
By order of the Board.
THOS. ROLLASON, Secretary.
20 Queen-street, Melbourne, 11th May, 1898.

SOCIAL-Democratic Society.—May Day Demonstration, Domain, Sun., 3.30. Kohen, Ferris, Carey, M'Namara.

N.S.W. LOCAL OPTION LEAGUE. ANNUAL CONVENTION, MONDAY, 16th May, at the TEMPERANCE HALL, PITT-STREET.
At 3.30, Meeting of Subscribers and Sympathisers. Addresses by Rev. J. Furdyce and John Kent, Esq.
At 7, Conference of Delegates.
TUESDAY, 17th MAY, at 8 p.m., at the PROTESTANT HALL, Castlereagh-street, ANNUAL PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION. Chairman: Hon. Jacob Garrard, M.P. Speakers: Hon. Joseph Cook, M.P., Mr. J. L. Fegan, M.P., and others. Public cordially invited.
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THE BROKEN HILL JUNCTION SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of the Company will be held at the Board Room, Prell's-buildings, corner of Collins and Queen streets, Melbourne, on TUESDAY, the 31st day of May, 1898, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, or as soon after that time as the business of the Half-yearly General Meeting will permit, for the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, passing a resolution sanctioning any loans heretofore obtained by the Directors, and authorising the Directors from time to time to borrow at interest such sum or sums of money as the Directors deem proper, so that the total amount borrowed shall not at any one time exceed £10,000, and to give such security for the repayment of all or any such moneys and interest as the Directors shall think fit.
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Legal Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

ACCOUNTS with Plans of Distribution in the undermentioned Estates, showing dividends as specified, are now filed in the office of the Registrar in Bankruptcy, Chancery-square, Sydney, for the inspection of persons interested, and Notice is hereby given that such accounts and plans will be submitted to the Court for confirmation on FRIDAY, the 31st May, 1898, at 11 a.m., if not previously objected to:—

WILLIAM JOHNSON, of Walgett, Tailor (No. 12484), a first account and plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 10s 6d (nineteen shillings and sixpence) in the £ on all proved debts.

THOMAS L. MERRY, of Marrickville (No. 8588), a second account, showing payment of fees, charges, and expenses only.

ALEXANDER M'KAY, of Bathurst (No. 12701), an account showing payment of fees, charges, and expenses only.

Also, Accounts only showing debit balances in the following Estates:—

JAMES THOMAS PIPER, of Cowra (No. 12541)
GEORGE M. SMYTH, of Newtown (No. 12543)
DAVID SMITH, of Woomargama (No. 12498)
GEORGE PHELPS, of St. Marys (No. 12492)
JOHN HAYDE, of Cobar (No. 12580)
HENRY HARRIS, of Cobar (No. 12582)
JOHN TIPPING, of Oldbamboree (No. 12562).

LANCELOT T. LLOYD,
Official Assignee.

139 Phillip-street, Sydney,
10th May, 1898.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Divorce. No. 2361.—Between JANE HARRIS, Petitioner, and HENRY FRANCES SARAH HARRIS, Respondent.—To HENRY HARRIS, lately of Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales.—TAKE NOTICE that the above-named JANE FRANCES SARAH HARRIS has commenced a suit against you in this Honourable Court, and is applying for a dissolution of marriage on the grounds of your adultery, you, the Respondent, have, during three years and upwards, without just cause or excuse, wilfully deserted her, the Petitioner, and without any just cause or excuse for continuously so deserted such cause or excuse for continuously so deserted during the three years and upwards. And take Notice that you are required to enter an appearance to the said suit at the proper office of this Honourable Court on or before the 30th day of June next, and in the event of your not doing so within the time limited, or obtaining further time, the Petitioner will proceed to the said suit as against you, and the Petitioner will proceed and obtain a decree nisi, pro confesso, in your absence notwithstanding. A copy of the petition filed herein may be had on application to the undersigned free of charge. Dated this 10th day of May.

HUGH MONTAGU and MAINWARING, Wynyard-square, Sydney, Solicitors for the said Petitioner. For the Registrar, JOHN GEO. LEARY, Chief Clerk.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of EUGENE LYONS, late of Kerr's Creek, in the colony of New South Wales, Railway Ganger, deceased, intestate.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Queen's-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twenty-first day of June next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this twelfth day of May, in the year 1898. For the Registrar, R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Deputy Registrar. HENRY E. ISAACS, Proctor for Administratrix, Orange. By R. A. LYONS, his Agent, Nos. 8 and 10 Lyndhurst-chambers, 84 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of STEPHEN ATCHERLEY, late of Dubbo, in the colony of New South Wales, Tea Merchant, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the third Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the ninth day of June next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 9th day of May, in the year 1898. For the Registrar, R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Deputy Registrar. CLIFFORD CUTTEN, Proctor for Executors, Dubbo. By R. A. LYONS, his Agent, Nos. 8 and 10 Lyndhurst-chambers, 84 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ADAM PETRIE, late of Glebe, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Pawnbroker, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HATTIE PETRIE, the Executrix named in the said Will sworn. Dated the 12th day of May, 1898. JOSEPH THOMPSON, Proctor for the Applicant, Vickery's-chambers, 82 Pitt-street.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN GIBB, late of Wallaroo, in the colony of New South Wales, Miner, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration, with the last Will of the abovenamed deceased, may be granted to AGNES GIBB, of Dudley, in the colony aforesaid, the Widow of the said deceased, and devisee under the said Will. And take Notice that Application will also be made to dispense with the usual Administration bond in the Estate. HUGH CRONIN, Proctor for the Applicant, Newcastle. By his Agent, FREDK. W. WALKER, 36 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ARCHIBALD LEWIS, late of Plattsburg, in the colony of New South Wales, Miner, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM JAMES LEWIS, of Bankstown, in the colony aforesaid, Miner, the son of the said deceased, with full power to sell or mortgage the real estate of the said deceased. THOS. CHAPMAN, Proctor for the said William James Lewis, Newcastle. By his Agent, FREDK. W. WALKER, 36 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ROBERT ARCHIBALD, late of Marrickville, in the colony of New South Wales, Labourer, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN BANFIELD, of Plattsburg, in the said colony, Engine-driver, one of the Sureties of the said deceased, with full power to sell, mortgage, or lease the real estate of the said deceased. THOS CRONIN, Proctor for the said John Banfield, Newcastle. By his Agent, FREDK. W. WALKER, 36 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of HENRY WILES, late of Eastwood, near Ryde, in the colony of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof the Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM WILES and CHARLES TARLTON STILES, two of the Executors named in the said Will, with leave reserved to ALFRED EDWORTH, the other Executor thereon named, to come in and prove the same when he shall be so advised. RUNGREGOR and BLOMFIELD, Proctors, Ryde. By Peter Agent, HAYDN M. JONES, Mutual of New York Building, Martin-place, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM CHRISTIAN, late of Balmain, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Clerk in Holy Orders, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HENRIETTA CHRISTIAN, of Balmain, near Sydney aforesaid, the sole Executrix named in the said Will. GEO. CRICHTON and MACFARLANE, Mutual Life of New York Building, Martin-place and Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of ROBERT ELIAS WALLEN, late of Wentworth Falls, Hatchery, in the colony of Victoria, Stock and Share Broker, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that the Probate of the Will and Codicil of the abovenamed deceased, granted by the Supreme Court of the colony of Victoria, may be sealed with the seal of this Court. STEPHEN, FRASER, and SIDE HUME, Proctors for Applicant, 12 and 14 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM MURRAY, late of Manly, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Pastor, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to GEORGE MURRAY and FRANK MURRAY, the Executors named in the said Will. ARTHUR MCDDLE, Proctor for the Applicants, 139 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM GILLESPIE, late of Double Bay, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to THOMAS GILLESPIE, the Executor named in the said Will, to whom same was reserved to come in and prove same when he shall be so advised. Dated at Sydney this 13th day of May, A.D. 1898. ALFRED ROFE and SONS, Proctors for the Executor, Rofe-chambers, 60 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ARCHIBALD LEWIS, late of Plattsburg, in the colony of New South Wales, Miner, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM JAMES LEWIS, of Bankstown, in the colony aforesaid, Miner, the son of the said deceased, with full power to sell or mortgage the real estate of the said deceased. THOS. CHAPMAN, Proctor for the said William James Lewis, Newcastle. By his Agent, FREDK. W. WALKER, 36 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ADAM PETRIE, late of Glebe, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Pawnbroker, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HATTIE PETRIE, the Executrix named in the said Will sworn. Dated the 12th day of May, 1898. JOSEPH THOMPSON, Proctor for the Applicant, Vickery's-chambers, 82 Pitt-street.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM GILLESPIE, late of Double Bay, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to THOMAS GILLESPIE, the Executor named in the said Will, to whom same was reserved to come in and prove same when he shall be so advised. Dated at Sydney this 13th day of May, A.D. 1898. ALFRED ROFE and SONS, Proctors for the Executor, Rofe-chambers, 60 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JOHN BRUCE, late of Newcastle, in the colony of New South Wales, Merchant Tailor, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the above-named deceased may be granted to JESSIE BRUCE, the Widow of the said deceased. All persons having any claim against the said Estate are required to furnish particulars thereof to the undersigned forthwith. WALDRON and DAWSON, Proctors for Applicant, 179 Pitt-street, Sydney.

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Mr. Taylor's "Geography of New South Wales" (Angus and Robertson) is something more than a schoolbook; it is an approach to the ideal geography. There is no reason why this fascinating subject, which, intelligently handled, will interest a class almost more than any other in school work, should not be dealt with so as to bring out its relations to history and patriotism. Mr. Taylor puts his material into good arrangement, he has used much diligence to verify what he states, and with the help of good illustrations the book is made agreeable to the eye as well as authoritative. The book ought to be, and no doubt will be, a considerable help to teachers in the geography of New South Wales. As it is to be adopted by the Department of Public Instruction, it is likely to be soon tested liberally. It is a real advance upon the old manuals. Is Mr. Taylor quite right in the statement at page 14 that the remains of a forest were found at Shea's Creek at about 200ft. below sea level? We had thought the depth much less. Again, is it not now agreed that the name which Cook gave to Botany Bay was Stingray Bay (page 16)?

Mr. Grant Allen is in literature a man of the Lord John Russell type; he is capable of undertaking anything that man can do. Fresh from his rather sceptical review of the Christian religion and its Founder, he turns to a romance of the island labour trade and the career of a Canadian sailor who, personating a missionary, attains the English episcopate. This book is "The Incidental Bishop" (Bell). He is strongest in his English scenes; the Australians are hazy, though flattering. Mr. Joseph Conrad gives us in his republished tales and sketches, mainly of the Malay peninsula ("Tales of Unrest," Mr. Fisher Unwin), a book of that strong and new interest which readers of "Almayer's Folly," or "An Outcast of the Islands" recognised.

The new volume of the Famous Scots Series of Messrs. Oliphant, Anderson, and Ferrier is Mr. Maclachlan's short biography, "Mungo Park." There will be found a compact and vivid sketch of a notable man, a great traveller by instinct, of the days before these men were financed by syndicates. What this poor young Scottish doctor managed to do in the then unknown West Africa is a strange story. One of his discoveries was that of the Niger, and Mr. Maclachlan gives a final chapter to an account of the recent history of the incident between England and France concerning Niger territory. In passing it may be worth recalling, as our "Records of New South Wales," besides the present volume, show, that about a century ago Mungo Park, upon his unexpected return to England from his first eventful voyage to West Africa, was strongly urged to come to this colony in order to make a survey of it. The book comes from Messrs. Angus and Robertson.

In the Story of the Empire Series of Messrs. Horace Marshall and Son, the latest volume is "New Zealand," by Mr. W. P. Reeves. It is brightly written, not partisan, while appreciative, and in the space it affords a good review of the course of colonisation in the colony.

Mr. Bowden's Colonial Library includes Mr. Fergus Hume's collection of stories of remarkable pledges, which are all deposited at one London pawnshop, kept by a sort of feminine Sherlock Holmes. The book is "Hagar of the Pawnshop," an entertaining piece of modern sensation. Mrs. de la Pasture's novel is "Deborah of Tod's" (Bell and Sons), and the story is the disillusionment of a country girl who farms her own land, and idealises a well-preserved old military person, whom she marries. However, after the General has disappeared, Deborah makes a fine match with Lord Halshurst, and thus justice is vindicated. "The Prince's Diamond," by E. Hulme-Beaman (Hutchinson), is a clever bit of composite romancing, that turns on the fortune of a lost diamond, found by a London journalist, by which he is led into some diverting adventures. In the "Kloof Bride," by E. Glanville (Methuen), the reader finds the African romance of our days. The quite commonplace business of purveying arms and ammunition to Zanzibaris brings out a Birmingham gentleman to the east of Africa, and once there he is gorgeous extremely in his feats among Arabs, Boers, and other African persons of much truculence. "A Son of Israel," by Rachael Penn (Macqueen), is a belated novel about the persecution of the Jews in Russia. The figure of the silversmith Rbeba, the son of Israel, is quite sympathetic, and the Odessa Ghetto makes a picturesque background.

Dr. Watson (Ian Maclaren) gives us now few of those intimate sketches of the life of rural Scotland upon which his fame rests; instead, he retires into the minister's study and sends out sermons, distinguished indeed from other sermons by humanity and the humanities. Of this type is his new book, "Companions of the Sorrowful Way" (Hodder and Stoughton), in which his nine chapters are meditations on the Passion.

The correspondence of a poet and a feminine admirer is a short description of Mr. Wallace's new addition to the Burns literature. This is the complete letters exchanged between Burns and Mrs. Dunlop, on the poet's part short and interesting, on the lady's, long, long! There is not much new in them, though Mr. Wallace has been able to print some of Burns's letters and draughts of poems that had not previously been published, yet these matters in themselves are seldom important. It is interesting to find that at one time in his early life Burns hesitated between a commission in the army and the professorship of Agriculture in Edinburgh University. The book is "Robert Burns and Mrs. Dunlop," by William Wallace. (Hodder and Stoughton; Sydney, Angus and Robertson.)

Dr. Gardner's "Household Medicine" has passed into its fourteenth edition, which is revised by Dr. Staveley, and published by Messrs. Smith, Elder, and Co. There was a time, perhaps, when these manuals had a positive value for colonists, on account of the scarcity of medicoes, and occasionally of the eccentricity of practitioners. But now, when a man of full qualifications is to be found in every country hamlet, and almost within reach of every settler, the risks of spreading an unhealthy interest in health by popular manuals on disease are more apparent than the benefits to flow from amateur practice.

Two American novels are Mr. Altsheler's "A Soldier of Manhattan" (Smith, Elder, and Co.) and Norma Lorimer's "Josiah's Wife" (Methuen). Mr. Altsheler's period is the war of British and Americans against French in Canada, ending in Wolfe's victory at Quebec. The story is interesting, but in that kind of work Mrs. Mary Hay Catherwood's novels are the best. "Josiah's Wife" is modern; its scenes are Boston of the present day, Sicily, and England; its principal people a drygoods merchant and his flighty wife.

We are hearing too much about the Indian frontier war; every subaltern seems to be a special correspondent, and if not he collects his home letters and prints them with maps and photographs. The latest offender is Lieutenant Spencer Churchill, and the name of his book, "The Story of the Malakand Field Force" (Longmans). Here is Lieutenant Spencer Churchill's style:—"Suddenly, in the stillness of the night a bugle call sounded on the parade-ground of the crater camp. Everyone sprang up. It was the 'Assembly.' For a moment there was silence. . . . Then from many quarters the loud explosion of musketry burst forth. The attack on the Malakand and the great frontier war had begun. The noise of firing echoed among the hills. Its echoes are ringing still. One valley caught the waves of sound and passed them to the next, till the whole wide mountain region rocked with the confusion of the tumult. Slender wires and long-drawn cables carried them to the far-off countries of the West. Distant populations on the continent of Europe thought that in them they detected the dull, discordant tones of decline and fall. Families in English homes feared that the detonations marked the death of those they loved—sons, brothers, or husbands. Diplomatists looked wise, economists anxious, stupid people mysterious and knowledgeable. All turned to have the noise stopped. But that was a task which could not be accomplished until thousands of lives had been sacrificed and millions of money spent."

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

Resumption of Land.—Notification is given of the resumption of 2 acres 3 roods 20 perches of land (railway reserve) for railway trucking yards at Forbes; also of 1 acre 2 roods 19½ perches and 2¼ perches, for the purposes of grade improvements on the Great Western line at Millthorpe.

Appointments.—Dr. K. L. Rosenfield to be Government medical officer at White Cliffs; the Rev. W. H. Murray to be assistant Church of England chaplain to the Albury Gaol; Mr. T. Knox-Hill to be inspector of stock and deputy registrar of brands at Singleton; Mr. Alexander Campbell to occupy a similar position at Corowa, and Mr. P. W. C. Palmer to do likewise at Gundagai.

Arson.—A reward of £50 is offered by the Government (in addition to £50 offered by the London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Company in conjunction with Mr. Kearins) for information leading to the conviction of the person or persons who set fire to four haystacks at Marengo flats, the property of Mr. Patrick Kearins.

THE APRIL REVIEWS.

A chorus of criticism of Lord Salisbury's foreign policy goes up from the Reviews this month. The "Contemporary" leads the attack with an unsigned article on "The Failure of Our Foreign Policy," in which the writer expresses nothing but censure and disappointment. It was thought, he says, that the Cabinet might prove weak in matters of domestic legislation, but that in its hands the interests of the Empire were safe. Facts have not justified that confidence, for he thinks that never before, in this century at least, has the British Empire been in such serious danger as to-day. Great Britain is being ousted from the world's neutral markets, her political prestige has completely disappeared, territory purchased with the life-blood of her best men is being frittered away in "graceful concessions," and the conditions essential to commercial expansion are being systematically destroyed by her pushing rivals. In Asia, Africa, America, and Madagascar, it is said, France has ridden roughshod over our rights. The writer insists that the public have been deceived by Ministers in regard to Russian action in China, and urges that results there bear stronger testimony to the phlegmatic forbearance of Britons than to the qualifications of the experienced statesmen to whom they have committed the conduct of the Empire. He instances the capture of Talienwan by Russia, the dismissal of British officials in Corea and China on Russian representations, and Russian ascendancy in Manchuria, where the Chinese flag already bears the Russian colours in one corner. Then he quotes the cession of 15,000 miles of territory ceded in Abyssinia, the passing of what is known as "the Bristol coast" in West Africa under French rule, "our vacillation and pusillanimity" in the Transvaal, and other instances of what he regards as failure. "It is hardly too much to say," contends this uncompromising critic, "that since the days of King Charles II. foreign States have never treated the rights and interests of Great Britain with less consideration or more studied disrespect." That the writer is a Conservative is shown by his general tone of agreement with the party policy in the past, but he avers that Lord Salisbury accomplished his mission when he saved Ireland from Home Rule or separation. The present problem is how to save the Empire from dismemberment, he holds, and in this Lord Salisbury's Government has signally failed. "The Balance of Power," by "Quorum Pars Fui," is another noteworthy contribution, in which the question is discussed as to whether Great Britain should throw in her lot with the Dual or with the Triple Alliance. The writer thinks that there is no point at which we cannot treat direct with Russia on matters concerning our joint interests. He claims that her policy in Asia has been honourable as a whole, duly allowing for what he calls psychological considerations. The case as to France is different, since she wants concessions, and we have no need of a French alliance, though there is no reason why the interests of France should clash with ours if she would keep to her own natural sphere. As matters stand, however, the writer contends that England's neutrality preserves the balance of European power, and if the German people would only insist on their ruler confining his action within constitutional bounds there need be no question of preponderance and alliances. Speaking of Germany, he thinks it is indeed an ironical turn of Destiny's wheel that the nation which was the first to think itself free of clerical domination should fall the first prey to government by the grace of God. Another contributor, Professor Westlake, defines the English and French positions in West Africa; and among other articles are some dealing with India on a gold basis, the cycle industry, and the differentia of Christianity.

The "Nineteenth Century" gives the critic's place to M. de Pressense, whose article, entitled "France and England," is not nearly so outspoken as others elsewhere by English hands this month. His quarrel is not so much with the Premier as with Mr. Chamberlain, and he deplores the illness of the one at a time when it was likely to give more rope to the other. He finds comfort in the fact that Mr. Balfour, and not Mr. Chamberlain or Lord Cromer, was chosen to act for him, as also in the perfect coolness with which the country, and even the most select organs of Jingoism, registered that wise proceeding. He refuses to see any fatal causes of conflict between England and France over West Africa, and insists that a peaceful compromise is quite possible. He suggests that the West African and Far Eastern questions be dealt with in this way, with Russia associated in the settlement. Diplomacy, he argues, is not powerless; our century, on the eve of giving up the ghost, is not condemned to the scandal of war; and a redistribution of empire can be effected without painting in blood the lines of our new borders. Sir William White, who, as director of naval construction, may be presumed to know something of his subject, writes here about the latest reconstruction of the navy. He rapidly reviews the history of his subject for the past 40 years. A new war-fleet has been created since 1887, he says, at a cost of about 50 millions sterling. In that time 29 battleships, 102 cruisers in the three classes, 29 torpedo gunboats, and 30 sloops, gunboats, &c., have been added to the fleet. In coal endurance and speed great progress has been made, as well as improvements in gun construction, including the development of quick-firing guns. Archibald S. Hurd comments on the curious fact that while the British Government is doing its best to outstrip foreign Powers in the race for naval supremacy, British shipbuilding yards are engaged in producing warships for our possible enemies. For Japan they have eight battleships and cruisers under way, and eight torpedo-boat destroyers; for Norway there is a coast defence ship; for Germany a swift torpedo-boat destroyer; there are two cruisers each for Portugal and Brazil; while for Austria there are four torpedo boats. Sir William Armstrong has boasted that the cruiser Buenos Aires, constructed by him for the Argentine, has no equal among the cruisers of the British navy. It is said that the same claim might be made for the new Chilian and Chinese cruisers, both British-built. Our yards have constructed for foreign navies ships equal to about a third of the whole British fleet. Other contributors discuss the subjects, among others, of death under chloroform, the centenary of '98, and vegetarianism; while Mr. J. Diggle writes about the Conservative party and the municipal elections; and Benjamin Taylor presents a study in trade unionism.

The "Fortnightly" has an opening paper by "Diplomaticus," entitled "Where Lord Salisbury has failed." He charges that there is a deep and growing dissatisfaction with the conduct of foreign affairs by the present Government, showing itself in the Conservative press and on the Ministerial benches as well as among the Opposition. He makes out a strong indictment with regard to Siam, Madagascar, Tunis, the Upper Nile, and the cession to Abyssinia, China, and West Africa. Instead of expanding the Empire, he says, we have ceded territory to France and Abyssinia; instead of defending our claims and possessions we have allowed the French to invade and occupy regions proclaimed as British; instead of preventing the closing of our markets, we have lost those of Tunis and Madagascar, and a large part of Siam, and stood idly by while Russia and Germany have created spheres of influence in Shantung and Manchuria. Against all this there is China's valueless promise not to alienate the Yangtse Valley, the prospective opening of the treaty ports in Hunan, the opening of the inland waters of China to trade, the rescue of Central Siam from French ambition, and the concession of most favoured nation treatment by Abyssinia. The writer thinks that the Jameson Raid is responsible for most of what he calls the floundering and wobbling of the last three years, in that it elicited a revelation of the Anglophobe tendencies of Germany, followed by the attempt to conciliate France and the misunderstood expressions of friendliness towards Russia. But at the end of his paper "Diplomaticus" makes a suggestive admission. Seeley traced the expansion of England, he says, to that Peace of Elizabeth which was in itself a long record of concessions not always graceful or even honourable. Another Seeley, he adds, may one day find that the Peace of Victoria, to which Lord Salisbury has substantially contributed, was not so dearly purchased as some of us imagine. Holt G. Hallett writes about British trade and the integrity of China, and incidentally echoes some of the criticisms of the Governmental policy. Notwithstanding the brave speeches made by our Ministers on the platform, he says, there is good reason to believe that Germany has treated their words as wind, and does not intend to refrain from preying on China and restricting the area of trade for other nations. He forecasts that Germany will divide the region north of the Yangtse with Russia, and foment difficulties between England and France over the division of the remainder. The justice of Russia's demands for an ice-free port has been admitted by Lord Salisbury and Mr. Balfour; but Mr. Hallett argues that if the integrity of China is to be preserved, and if large sections of that country are not to be annexed by foreign Powers and closed to the trade of the rest of the world, prompt action is necessary. Writing about the Maine disaster and the prospects of war, Mr. Fred. T. Jane makes some predictions about the strength of the Spanish fleet and the security of the Philippines, which the late engagement has since disproved but he adds a curious suggestion about the division of the United States into three republics of the East, West, and South, if Spain should happen to be victorious. Miss Kingsley writes about liquor traffic with West Africa, and F. A. Edwards about the French on the Niger. Ouida has a paper about Cavallotti, the Italian deputy recently killed in a duel; and other papers deal with war correspondence, the posthumous works of Stevenson, women's friendly societies, French juvenile reformatories, and other topics of varying interest.

The "National Review" has a paper by Professor Harrison Moore, of Melbourne, on "Constitution-making in Australia," in which he is mainly concerned with noting the differences between the bill of 1891 and the debates on that of 1898. He notices the democratisation of the constitution, the "one vote only" proviso, the popular election of the Senate, the referendum for the adoption and amendment of the constitution, and the exclusion of the American political executive outside the legislature in favour of a Federal Cabinet which shall have a parliamentary character. In the notes of the month Australia is reminded that the Pacific is destined to become the cockpit of the Powers, and counselled that a Federated Australia would be an infinitely stronger defensive unit than a group of disconnected colonies. Other papers discuss England's rivals in Asia, Russia's policy and finances, American affairs, and the justice of imprisoning inebriates. "Blackwood" has papers about life and death in the Niger Delta, and the Chinese imbroglio. The "Westminster" is not specially noticeable this month, but "Cosmopolis" has under the title "Odes in Contribution to the Song of French History," some remarkable verses by George Meredith to Napoleon I. "Natural Science" this month devotes several paragraphs to the recent proceedings of the Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science. "Macmillan," "Cornhill," "Temple Bar," "Longman's," with "Scribner," "The Century," and "St. Nicholas" are to hand, among others. In "Badminton," W. Redmond, M.P., writes "With the Gun in New South Wales."

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SOME OF THE USES OF OLD MAIDS.

British enterprise girdles the globe. British brain dominates the world. Both would be impossible were it not for old maids, for British brain is nourished on British beef, which depends for its goodness on the rich clover fields which are fertilised by the humble bee, but the humble bee has a relentless enemy in the mouse, and would probably soon be extinct, but that numerous old maids in the kingdom nourish cats which in their turn prey upon the mice, and so preserve the balance.—"Chapters in Evolution."

What would become of "Punch," and other comic papers, if the old maid, as a convenient peg on which to hang a joke, suddenly became extinct? The world has laughed at old maids and mothers-in-law so long that it would sadly miss either if the species came to an abrupt end. Nature works mainly, in pursuit of her ends, by means of pairs, although there are instances of units among the very low organisations, and among human beings at the apex of civilisation Woman, standing alone, has become a person to be reckoned with, and the object of this paper is to inquire about her particular use in the social economy. We all know and love the maiden aunt, and her usefulness is so obvious that it is unnecessary to dwell upon it. In the East, where woman is a slave, every woman has a chance of being absorbed into the harem of some one or other of the lords of creation. There the natural place of woman, as the helpmeet and equal of man, is lost.

It is an inexorable law of nature that when an organism begins to live upon another it quickly descends in the scale of being. The destruction of characteristic individuality, and the extinction of personality, are natural results of that form of association wherein one organism becomes dependent on another for all the conditions of life. It is as true of a woman in a harem as of a barnacle adhering to the side of a ship, that degradation wholesale and complete is the penalty the parasite has to pay for its free board and lodging. The highest development of human society seems to be impossible under conditions which mean practical parasitism for the mothers of the race.

It has been too much the case in the past, even where the wife was raised from a condition of servitude to that of mistress of the house, that the mastership of the husband, and the obedience of the wife, led to the personality being absorbed, so that the position of wifehood meant a gradual absorption of all individuality, and the negation of all independent action. Even at the beginning of this century the chief end of an English lady's education was the knowledge of those things which would make her acceptable to the sterner sex, and science, as especially likely to repel intending suitors, was rigorously tabooed.

In the England of to-day, with the problems of living ever so much more complex than in primitive states, a vast and increasing number of women lead, for various reasons, a single life, exerting a growing influence on the life of the nation. Able as they are to take an independent stand, and develop their individuality along progressive lines, they form a barrier against the degradation of woman, so that the old maid stands, among other things, for the assertion of a distinct personality, and is of incalculable use in the higher development of the human organism.

The presence in the body social of an increasing number of single women, with time to study, in their freedom from housewifely ties, and to develop along the line of their individual adaptation, has unconsciously set a higher ideal before the wife, who is becoming less and less willing to be only the mother of a man's children, or the orderer of his dinners, claiming greater freedom and a wider horizon than good Mrs. Chapone would have thought consistent with wifely modesty. We owe the change largely to the courage of women who were not afraid to face the opprobrium of the title "Old Maid," and have robbed it of its sting, even for the most timid of their sex.

But, not only has the intellectual horizon of married women been incalculably widened by the action of their single sisters, but their happiness has been greatly increased. The spinster, unhaunted by the fear of her conduct being criticised as "unbecoming in a wife and mother," has set a standard of woman's happiness quite outside that bounded by the cradle, and hedged in by the socks, so that, by almost imperceptible degrees, her greater liberty has affected the desires of the wife, and raised her ideal of happiness to include some provision for her physical and mental recreation outside of her home duties. Such a recreation as cycling, for instance, would have been impossible to our grandmothers, who would have considered the making of cowslip wine a far more important duty than gadding about for health or amusement.

Some political economists have begun to see a grave danger to the commonweal in the existence of so large a number of women whose intense desire for freedom to develop in their own way has made them impatient of the restrictions—small though they now are—involved in marriage. But Nature has ways of her own for preserving the balance of things. The woman of the future, with better appliances for the performance of all household duties, with a cheerful recognition from the former lord of creation of her equality with himself, and with a freely conceded right to individuality and to outside interests, will not need to remain single.

The battle now being fought for their own sakes and for those of their married sisters, by the noble army whom we are still inclined to call "Old Maids," will have been won. In the pause after the battle, the music and significance of old words with a new meaning shall float gently in the peaceful air. "Wifehood," with its new meaning of "Comrade," shall again be sweet to the ears of woman; and "Motherhood" shall again seem to hold, for the gentler sex, very much that is desirable and beautiful in the glory of the wider life.

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MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC NOTES.

There have always been two opinions upon the question of preparing classical programmes for the general mass of concert-goers. Some learned musicians insist that a first-rate orchestral concert must exclude everything that is not strictly classical; the argument on the other side is that, unless a few lighter dishes flank the more solid fare, there are apt to be empty seats at the musical feast. These opposing views have been well illustrated during the week in a correspondence between Professor Marshall Hall and one of the Melbourne dailies. Professor Hall, who has ever been restive under the mildest newspaper criticism, took umbrage at a suggestion that his concerts would have a wider influence if amongst the Beethoven symphonies and the more abstruse works of Wagner a ballet suite of the modern French school were sometimes sandwiched in. In reply, Professor Hall dwells upon the necessity for sticking seriously to serious music, for whereas the Eroica Symphony would be performed in public in a great German city "three or four hundred times in a year" (every evening of the week, including Sunday!!), in Melbourne the Beethoven symphonies are only heard in their entirety once in about six years, the more important ones occurring every second or third year. This being so, Professor Hall feels the necessity for bringing before students and artists the solid works which form the foundation of their art. He continues by referring to the difficulties of rehearsing a variety of works with merely a "scratch" orchestra—a term which, if applied to his band by anybody but himself, would doubtless form the excuse for half a column of indignant protest in the Melbourne press. Finally, Professor Hall buttresses his remarks in excellent style with the closing peroration: "If we wish to encourage all that increases our strength, and spirit, and power as a nation, we cannot do better than inoculate our children from their very infancy with the music of Beethoven and his compeers, who represent all that is manly, healthy, and natural in life. Meanwhile the 'delicious ballad suites' can wait." Now it seems to us that this way of viewing the matter would be absolutely right only if Melbourne possessed a second orchestra at which the lighter works of the best schools were heard. Without such a supplementary band, it becomes apparent that, on the basis indicated, Melbourne concert-goers would be confined to the "roast beef and mutton" of the art all the year round, which, as the Melbourne critic remarks, "may be admirable as the staple food of a nation, though no one will seriously agree that all other wholesome food should be eschewed." It may be added that in Sydney the continued existence of the Amateur Orchestral Society has been largely due to Signor Hazon's wise policy of embracing a wide range of music in every programme. In the same way the City Organist has accustomed his audiences to appreciate Mendelssohn's organ sonatas and other classic works by judiciously turning from them to the operatic selections and lighter pieces of the French, Italian, Belgian, and English composers.

"Virginius," the drama in which Mr. Wilson Barrett appears at next Wednesday's matinee, is little more than a name to the rising generation of Australian playgoers. This is not the case in America, where Sheridan Knowles's tragedy has never fallen into similar disuse. Originally, of course, Macready created the famous role at Covent Garden Theatre in 1820, and he played it with success until 30 years later. During this period he visited America, and to the rivalry between him and Forrest, in which the good citizens of New York naturally "plumped" for their own man, must be attributed the stimulus which kept the piece in vogue. After Edwin Forrest came John M'Cullough, and many another actor, until at last the Americans saw quite a modernised version of the work by Mr. Wilson Barrett, and accepted it on its merits without demur. It is this version which will be staged on Wednesday afternoon—the one successfully produced in London at the Lyric Theatre just before the actor-manager sailed for this country. Mr. Barrett has reduced the five acts to four, has eliminated the political portions, and has entirely rewritten the last scene. The result will be known in due course, but in any case Knowles's tragedy as published in collections of his works is plainly old-fashioned. At the same time it is a strong play, and has outlasted every other upon the same subject. When Knowles, who had met Edmund Kean in a strolling company at Waterford about 1813, offered "Virginius" to the Drury Lane management, he found that Soane's "Virginius, or the Fall of the Decemviri," had just been accepted. Soane's play was produced concurrently with the other, but Kean could not make it run above three nights. In 1670 Betterton appeared in Webster's tragedy of "Appius and Virginia," and one Dennis produced a tragedy with the same title at Drury Lane in 1709. Garrick staged Crisp's "Virginius" in 1754, and a year later John Moncrieff wrote "Appius" for Covent Garden. In Paris Rachel appeared in "Virginie," by M. Ybars, in 1845, and this tragedy, in which the heroine enjoyed the chief role, was subsequently done into English for the London stage. Mr. Wilson Barrett's version has now for five or six years past re-established Knowles's drama in the public favour, and he always includes it in his regular touring repertory.

Mrs. Potter and Mr. Bellew, after a highly successful opening of their provincial tour at Glasgow, when the mail left were at Newcastle-on-Tyne (April 7). At this city unusual interest was taken in "Charlotte Corday" owing to the fact that Marat spent some years of his life in Newcastle, which is full of traditions of him and his doings. Marat, it appears, inhabited the Westgate of the northern town, and held forth at meetings of the Philosophical Society, which debated upon "What is Virtue?" "The Comparative Advantages of Limited Monarchy and Republicanism," and the like. When Marat wrote his "Chains of Slavery" he sent copies to the corporation of Newcastle, and the critic of the "Newcastle Daily News," who reviews the production in a particularly well-written article, is able to remark that the pamphlet in question "was then commended in our columns as an ingenious and spirited work." From this statement the Australian reader will gather that the Newcastle "Daily News" is one of the oldest journals in England. The reviews upon the acting of "Charlotte Corday," "Camille," and "The Lady of Lyons" are entirely favourable. The Potter-Bellew Company includes Mr. and Mrs. John Billington, who visited Australia with Mr. J. L. Toole, with Mr. Vibart as juvenile leading man, and Miss Ailsa Craig (Ellen Terry's daughter) as ingenue. Throughout her provincial tour Mrs. Potter is being accompanied by her father and mother, Colonel and Mrs. Urquhart, who have come over from San Francisco to pay her a visit. The tour is expected to last until June 1.

In London, Sir Henry Irving has filled in the gap caused by the sudden collapse of "Peter the Great" with a series of bi-weekly revivals ranging from "The Bells" to "The Merchant of Venice." Now, however, he has ready a new play by Messrs. Traill and Hichens, entitled "The Medicine Man." This is a modern piece, and the mere fact that Sir Henry Irving appears in the frock-coated character of the everyday man for the first time within the memory of the oldest playgoer is expected to prove a potent source of attraction. For this production Sir Henry Irving will be obliged to re-form his company. In theory, the Bleeding Sergeant from "Macbeth" and Cayley Drummle from "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" can be well played by the same man, if that man is an actor. But in practice it does not work.

At the Opera Comique, London, a new and original farcical comedy, written by Sidney Blackburn, called "The Cousin from Australia," was announced for Easter Monday. The author is Dr. Schwartzbach, who has chosen the English equivalent for his German name as a pseudonym. Dr. Schwartzbach wrote a number of pieces during his stay here, but never succeeded in getting any of them staged.

"The Beauty Stone," the new comic opera by Messrs. A. W. Pinero and Comyns Carr, for which Sir Arthur Sullivan has written the music, will be a comic opera in the sense in which the French use the term opera comique as distinguished from grand opera and opera bouffe. The new opera will be next in succession at the Savoy to "The Gondoliers."

Miss Marie Brierly, who is playing the part of the feminine villain, Sue Endaly, in the American drama "Blue Jeans," on tour, is the youngest daughter of the late Sir Oswald Brierly, marine painter to the Queen, and for many years resident in Sydney. Miss Brierly entered the profession a year ago, and has appeared under the management of Mr. Wilson Barrett.

LIVER COMPLAINTS.
Dr. King's Dandelion and Quinine Liver Pills, the old-fashioned English remedy, without mercury, remove all Bilious and Stomach Disorders, and are still the best medicine.—Advt.

CHESS.

May 14, 1898.

Secretaries are invited to furnish club news of general interest; correspondents, the scores of unpublished games and original problems. These should be accompanied by diagrams and full analyses. A register is published from time to time of clubs open to play team and telegraphic matches, time and occasion suiting.

PROBLEM No. 205.
SYDNEY MORNING HERALD FOURTH PROBLEM TOURNEY.
"Perle d'Jardin."
BLACK (11 pieces).

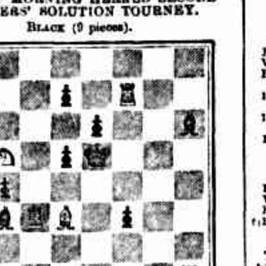


WHITE (13 pieces).
White to play and mate in two moves.

Forsyth Notation modified.—B B 6, R 2, R p 5, K 1, p 2, N 1, p P 2, P 2, s r 2, b 1, p r 2, P 3, P 4, p 1, P 3, N b Q 1, b 2.

Key.—Counting from Black Q R—, the initial letter of piece is put for the square occupied thereby. Numerals denote intervening blank squares. Black pieces are in italics.

PROBLEM No. 206.
SYDNEY MORNING HERALD SECOND MASTERS' SOLUTION TOURNEY.
BLACK (9 pieces).



WHITE (7 pieces).
White to play and mate in four moves.

Forsyth Notation Modified.—K 7, N 2, p 1, B 6, p 2, b 1, N 1, p b 4, p 7, b B B 1, p 12, B 4, r.

Problem No. 200 was stated in our last issue to have two keys—B Kt5 (ch) and Kt K7. Beta points out that the latter is foiled by Kt K, and that the problem is therefore sound. It is strange that so many of our solvers have looked this. F.G.P., C. J. Mead, H.R., H J H., A. A. Smith, Surrea, Ettie Olley, E. West, Beta, T. J. Cole, G. R. Evans, and W. Chalmers forwarded the correct key, and are credited a point. The former list is cancelled. As usual in solution tourneys a solver forwarding an incorrect key scores no point, even though he has discovered the correct one. The reason is obvious, for without such provision there would be no limit to the number of keys he could submit, and the whole raison d'etre of analysis would fail.

PROBLEM No. 201.—Asteroid.
Key move, KK.

Correct solutions from:—H. R., F. G. P., Ettie Olley, C. Amos, T. A. Dixon, Beta, T. J. Cole, R.C.S., H. Porter, J. W. Hillyer, H. J. H., G. R. Evans, C. J. Mead, J. Harvey, D. R. M., J. J. P., O. H., T. R. Smith, A. W. Alber, J. W. Vick.

Correct solutions not above mentioned have reached us too late to score in tourney. They will, however, be acknowledged in our next issue.

NOTES.

The Chess Championship of Australia.—Mr. Jonas v. Mr. Jacobsen.—The comparative frequency of championship matches is exercising a very happy influence on Australian chess. The Sydney School of Arts Chess Club was crowded on Monday evening last by interested onlookers, who followed the game with the utmost attention. Play will be resumed on Monday evening, and the public are invited.

Intercolonial Chess.—The selection committee, Messrs. Foster, Hall, Pietzcker, and Wallace, has chosen the following nine players to represent New South Wales v. Victoria on Queen's Birthday:—Messrs. Wallace, Hall, Britton, Scott, Vane, Miles, Jonas, Melville, and Conroy. For the last board Messrs. Henderson, Linden, Pietzcker, and Wallis play off. It is considered unlikely that Messrs. Jacobsen and Crane will be able to play owing to business engagements, but should they do so the list will be rearranged. The absence of these two players would certainly be a very severe handicap to the parent colony.

The championship of Western Australia has been won by Mr. A. P. Colebatch.

The championship of South Australia opened with only three competitors. Mr. M'Arthur has won the only game played as yet, defeating Mr. Harrison. Mr. Belcher is the third of the trio.

The Sydney Suburban Chess Association, Eastern Suburbs v. Balmain.—The following is the result of the pairing:—

Eastern Suburbs.—(1) Mr. Wallace, ½; (2) Mr. Britton, 1; (3) Mr. Scott, ½; (4) Mr. Henderson, 1; (5) Colonel Walker, 1; (6) Mr. Johnston, 0; (7) Mr. Shelley, ½; (8) Mr. Biggs, 0; (9) Mr. Godhard, ½; (10) Mr. Campbell, 1—total 6.

Balmain.—(1) Mr. Jonas, ½; (2) Mr. Melville, 0; (3) Mr. Mackenzie, ½; (4) Mr. Walters, 0; (5) Mr. Punch, 0; (6) Mr. Spedding, 1; (7) Mr. M'Naught, ½; (8) Mr. Parry, 1; (9) Mr. Walsh, ½; (10) absent, 0—total 4.

The Sydney Suburban Chess Association.—A meeting of the council took place on Thursday last, Mr. Bignold (senior vice-president) in the chair, Mr. Jacobsen (vice-president) and the following delegates also being present:—Messrs. Cole, Scott, Ridley, Spedding, Callender, Britten, Macoun. Rev. T. Ash was registered on behalf of Balmain, and Mr. Hoskins Eastern Suburbs. The following clubs put in B teams:—Balmain, Burwood, St. John's Institute, Railway Institute, Petersham, St. George's. The rules regulating the competition are the same as in the championship, except that the minimum team is six in place of eight. Mr. Bignold promised a cup for the winning club, and Mr. Jacobsen badges for the individual players.

The Sydney Chess Club Championship Tourney.—The following is the result of recent play:—Taylour beat Godhard (default), Taylor-Shelley (default), Hall-Trasey, Trasey-Miles, North-Henderson (default), Britton-Ridley, Trasey-Ridley, Hall-Wallis, Walker-Stack, Wallace-Linden.

The School of Arts Chess Club Championship Tourney.—Blanhuth beat Stormont, Campbell-Glynn, Miller-Crakanthorp, Wallis-Colquhoun, Smith-Grant, Cole-Volckman, Lyon-Biggs, Volckman-Macoun, Miller-Waddington, Bracey-Lyon, Macoun-Blanhuth, Stormont-Lyon, Pietzcker-Hall, Bracey-Steele.

Mr. Britton won the following fine game from Mr. Melville in the recent Eastern Suburbs-Balmain match, playing at board 2. Both the players have been chosen to represent this colony against Victoria on May 24:—

Ruy Lopez.

WHITE (Mr. Britton).	BLACK (Mr. Melville).		
1. PK4	PK4	13. KtB5	KBKt (b)
2. KtKB3	KtQB3	14. RK (c)	QBR3 (d)
3. BKt5	KtB3	15. QKt4	PKt4
4. Castles	KtxP	16. BQ2	RKt3
5. PQ4	KtQ3	17. BB3	RKB
6. BxKt	KtPxB	18. QxQ	RK3
7. PxP	KtKt2	19. KtQ4	RKt3
8. KtB3	PKB3 (a)	20. PK6	QPxP
9. BB4	BB4	21. KtxKP	QxR
10. KtK4	BKt3	22. KtK7 (ch)	KQ
11. KtQ4	KtB4	23. QxQ (ch)	BQ3
12. KtxKt	BxKt	24. BK5 (ch), and wins.	

(a) A lost move; generally fatal in the Ruy Lopez.
(b) Bad, but he could not castle on account of BxBP.
(c) Preventing PQ4 and giving White an unquestionable advantage in position.
(d) Black's Queen's pieces are by this move rendered quite useless for the defence.

NEW MUSIC.

Messrs. Paling and Co. publish Sydney F. Hoben's new song "For Love of Thee" (verse by E. D. Hoben), which is vocally effective, and contains many melodious phrases. One of the most striking has, however, been employed in the refrain ("I Love You, only You") of the once favourite song by Roeckel, "The Old, Old Words." "For Love of Thee" should prove popular. Messrs. Paling and Co. also publish Frances R. Campbell's "The Treasure Trove" valse, dedicated to the infant son of Major and the Hon. Mrs. Ferguson. This is a dashing valse of conventional type, suited in every way to the ballroom.

Messrs. Elvy and Co. forward a good selection of songs. Emilio Pizzi's "Golden Maytime," though simple, forms a captivating contralto song. "Tell me, thou soul of her I Love," by Noel Johnson, is written in a vein of plaintive sentiment which pleases, though the whole lacks character. Herman Lohr's "Love's Parting" is an impassioned song for tenor, in which the voice is supported by a clever and peculiar accompaniment. "Neapolita," is a song by Sybil Palliser which has some merit, but misses the special charm of a Neapolitan song. "All the Year Round" is a graceful little song by Lawrence Kelly which can boast a certain freshness. "To-night," by Ellaline Ferris, is a pretty, sentimental song which would suit a baritone voice.

ST. JOHN'S INSTITUTE.

The St. John's Institute, Glebe, held its fifth annual meeting on Tuesday evening in St. John's schoolroom. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Rev. S. S. Tovey, B.A.; vice-presidents, Judge Wilkinson, Mr. J. A. Hogue, M.L.A., Dr. F. Ashwell, Mr. B. G. Paddle; committee, Messrs. H. Bathurst, H. Cox, A. Golding, W. Arnott, and J. A. Wotton; secretary, Mr. G. Wotton; chess secretary, Mr. A. Trasey; treasurer, Mr. W. Sherrington; editor manuscript journal, Mr. P. Cole; delegates to N.S.W. L. and D. Societies' Union, Messrs. A. Golding and A. Sherrington. The following prizes were presented for chess championship tournament: First, Mr. L. Chapham; second, Mr. C. Delohery; third, Rev. S. S. Tovey; fourth, Mr. P. Cole. And essay competitions Messrs. Cole, Cox, and Wonson.

Waugh's Baking Powder obtained the only first-class award of highest degree of merit. Waugh's Baking Powder's the best.—Advt.

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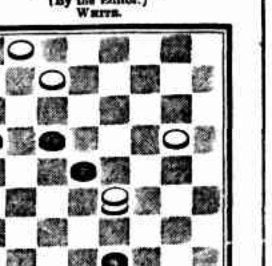
All communications for this department should be addressed to the Draughts Editor, "Sydney Morning Herald," Pitt-street, Sydney.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. S., Rockwood: That the position was very intricate you must admit. Two of our leading players in a try-off won with white so often began to think there was no draw, when one sprung the correct line. Always send your play. When in town visit the School of Arts club in order to have a trial of skill. T. D., Maitland: The criticism referred to wins for white. Your solutions of 69 and 70 are correct, and play to 29 sound. Solutions from J. B., Mack, G. G., W. Harris, C. Wilson, C. T., and Con.

PROBLEM No. 73.
(By the Editor.)
WHITE.



BLACK.
Black to play. White to win.

PROBLEM No. 74.
(An end game).
Black men 5, kings 14, 15, 31.
White men 18, 30; kings, 6, 7.
White to play and draw.

SOLUTIONS.
PROBLEM No. 69.
(By the Editor.)
Black kings on 10, 11, 15, 18.
White men on 12, 20, kings 1, 2.
Black to play and win.
Solution by T. Dalton, Maitland:

10—14	9—6	1—5	2—6	1—6	13—6	19—8
2—6	10—14	18—14	17—13	5—1	1—10	20—16
14—17	6—2	5—1	6—2	6—13	20—16	8—3
6—9	14—9	9—5	13—9	14—9	11—20	10—[illegible]
15—10	Wins.					

PROBLEM No. 70.
(By W. Rimes, Pyrmont.)
Black 13, 14, 9, king 6.
White 11, 21, 22, king 7.
Black to play and win.
13—17, 21—13, 6—1, 33—6, 1—8. Wins.

GAME No. 98.—"Ayrshire Lassie."

The following games were played in a recent skirmish between Messrs. Lee and Hansen:—

Mr. Hansen moved.

11—15	12—16	15—24	7—16	16—20	7—11	10—15
24—20	26—23	28—19	22—6	30—26	24—20	16—12
8—11	8—12	6—10	1—10	20—27	3—7	15—19
28—24	32—28	18—15	25—22	31—24	19—16	12—8
4—8	10—14	11—18	9—13	2—7	12—19	14—18
23—18	24—19	20—11	27—24	29—25	23—16.	Drawn.

GAME No. 99.—"Whilter."

Mr. Lee moved.

11—15	26—23	1—5	25—22	15—31	30—23	26—19
23—19	11—16	29—25	16—20	19—15	7—11	24—8
9—14	25—22	3—7	31—26	10—26	13—9	4—11
22—17	6—9	22—17	11—16	17—1	31—26	6—10
7—11	17—13	8—11	22—18	9—14	1—6	W. won.

GAME No. 100.—"Centre."

Mr. Lee moved.

11—15	24—20	9—13	26—23	16—19	6—10	8—12
23—19	3—8	19—15	11—16	23—16	14—7	27—23
8—11	17—14	13—17	20—11	12—19	2—20	18—27
22—17	10—17	28—24	7—16	20—16	15—10	31—15
15—18	21—14	17—21	24—20.	Drawn.		

CRITICISM.

T. D. Maitland writes: He game played between Messrs. Roberts and Brown in the Championship tourney Mack gives play showing a win for black. I submit the following to win for white:—The position stands—B.—6, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 16. W.—15, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 27, 31.

31—26	10—14	11—20	8—15	13—17	17—22	22—29
7—11	15—10	15—11	19—1	1—6	6—10	10—17
26—23	20—16.	White wins.				

NOTES.

A friendly match of 10 games up was commenced on Monday last, in the presence of a large assembly of checkerists at the S.S.A. rooms, between Messrs. Amery and Lee. The first opening was an "Ayrshire Lassie," which was won by Mr. Lee, the second a Cross, the ending of which was very critical, and thought by many of the onlookers to be a black win. Mr. Lee drew in a masterly manner with the white. At a second meeting an "Ayrshire Lassie," "Bristol," and a "Whilter" were drawn. Great interest is taken in the match, as both players stand in the front rank.

The annual meeting of the Draughts Association Council was held on Thursday last, when a very satisfactory report was read and adopted, which showed a good surplus in hand to begin the year with. After votes of thanks to the retiring officers the election for the ensuing season was proceeded with, and the fixing of a series of team matches and tourneys were considered, particulars of which we will give in our next.

The New Zealand championship tourney recently won by Mr. J. A. Boreham for the second time, has given great satisfaction to the draughts playing talent of Omarua, who proposed to give him a public reception on his return to the white city. A champion problem solver, Captain J. A. Chalice, R.N., continues his perseverance in solving competitions. That gentleman's 116th analysis, covering 500 weeks, is announced as the "Queen's World's Solving Record," as follows:—4966 chess and draughts positions, problems, and "set" end-games solved; 985 various prize competitions and puzzles—433 weeks; 6196 public acknowledgments, and 63 ditto prizes, &c.; and 474 eliminations, raise total to 6422; 771 keys of other chess and draughts positions, &c., from diagrams, &c., raise the grand total to 7193; nine public "ballot prizes" raise above total to 72 prizes, &c.

The World's Championship.—There are prospects of another contest for the world's championship. We learn on good authority that if Ferrie can get leave of absence from his employment for the time necessary to play the match, he will at once challenge R. Jordan for the title and a commensurate stake.

A friendly match of eight games up was played between Mr. J. G. Miller, of Balmain, and Mr. E. Turner, of Kogarah, recently, which was won by Miller with five wins to one. Through the courtesy of Mr. Miller we will be able to give a few of the games at an early date.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

From Messrs. Angus and Robertson.—"Gardner's Household Medicine," by W. H. C. Staveley; "A Soldier of Manhattan," by J. A. Altsheler (Smith, Elder, and Co.); Campaigning on the Upper Nile and Niger," by Lieutenant Seymour Vandeleur (Methuen); "Islands of the Southern Seas," by M. M. Shoemaker (Putnam); "Robert Burns and Mrs. Dunlop," by W. Wallace; "Companions of the Sorrowful Way," by John Watson, D.D. (Hodder and Stoughton).

From Messrs. Macmillan and Co.—"A Treatise on Magnetism and Electricity," vol. I., by Professor Gray; "Arithmetic for Schools," by S. L. Loney; Virgil's "Bucolica et Georgica," edited by T. E. Page.

From the "Shipping World" Company.—"Sanitation in the British Mercantile Marine," by W. G. Romeril.

From C. Arthur Pearson.—"An Egyptian Coquette," by Clive Holland; "The Marquis of Vaircse," by Charles Foley.

From Messrs. Ward, Lock, and Co.—"An Italian Fortune Hunter," by B. D. de Tassinari; "A Strange Sin," by Coulson Kernahan; "At Random," by L. F. Austin.

From Mr. Fisher Unwin.—"Tales of Unrest," by Joseph Conrad; "Pelican House, E.C.," by B. H. West.

THE FRUIT INDUSTRY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Re a conference of orchardists and others interested in the fruit industry, which met in Sydney a few days ago, as a very old colonist I am induced to offer a few remarks on two of our leading fruit pests, alluded to; since they have been under my observation since 1837 on the Macleay River, where my father was the first to settle down and plant European fruits. From the year mentioned the fruit maggot was observed by us in the native apple, Achras australis, and although for some time my father grew some splendid peaches and nectarines and apricots, &c., yet after a few years these fruits, and others, were so beset by the maggot that sound fruit was the exception. Strange to say, however, this pest left us after a long time, and our fruit was pretty free of the pest for about twenty years till within the last few years, since when they have again become troublesome.

With regard to the red scale on citrous fruit, I am as satisfied that it is indigenous as is undoubtedly the fruit maggot, for I distinctly recollect its appearance on the first oranges produced on the Macleay River about fifty-two years ago from trees grown there from seeds by my late father and the late Mr. John Verge, and, as stated by Mr. Fisher at the conference, I have often seen it thickly distributed over the leaves of our native fig, Ficus macrophylla. I believe the best way to avoid this pest is to ignore worked trees and to raise them from the seeds of the best quality of fruit; to plant the trees in generous soil, and to be careful with the drainage, and to feed the trees well with a top-dressing of manure or straw mulch, taking care, however, not to allow the upper roots to be too loose in the ground; indeed I prefer to bare them somewhat close to the stems of the trees. About forty years ago I made a small plantation of orange trees reared from seeds by myself, and about seven years later obtained a number of worked trees from Sydney, which I planted close to my seedlings on exactly similar soil and situation, with the result that the worked trees grew very slowly, and, after a couple of years bore heavily for their size, and continued to do so for a year or two longer till one after another, in spite of every care, they all gradually died off, while at the same time the seedlings, which were ten times the size, continued healthy and bore well, and yielded superior fruit. I have invariably found seedling trees the most vigorous, lasting, and healthy, and their fruit the best where the trees have been produced from the seeds of carefully selected fruit. I have also found the shelter, close at hand, of large protecting trees of great benefit to an orangery. Thanking you in anticipation for inserting this letter, I am, &c.,

AUGUSTUS RUDDER.

May 13.

P.S.—If not very bad, oranges are very little the worse for a little of the red scale; it is absurd to condemn them on that account.

DOES MUCH MEAT EATING

PRODUCE

MUSCULAR RHEUMATISM, GOUT,

SEVERE PAINS IN THE LIMBS AND JOINTS,

COLD EXTREMITIES, CLAMMINESS,

WEAK CIRCULATION, MIGRAINE (HEADACHE),

AND OFTENTIMES CORPULENCE?

Meat foods belong to the albuminous or proteid foods, and when we say meat we ought further to include foods containing albuminoids, such as the casein of milk and cheese, the albumen of eggs, the gluten of flour, and the legumin of certain vegetables. We chew albuminous foods to reduce them to a pulpy mass, thus preparing them so that the acid peptic juice of the stomach is enabled to act upon them, and convert them, as far as may be, into complete peptones. These latter have the property and power of penetrating the walls of the stomach, and of making their way by various routes into the blood.

While in the blood, the food essences—albeit they differ in appearance from ordinary food—are still food; as yet, they are not life.

But when the blood, on its various coursings to and from the heart, on its way deposits little tiny atoms of proteid matter in the tissues all over the body as it passes by them, then it is—there in the tissues—that the wonderful mystery of life is solved.

While the tissues create life, or organised matter, out of that which is not life, yet, almost at the same time and almost by the same process, they kill off some of their own life by their action. The tissues are, therefore, both constructive and destructive. This is termed the science of metabolism.

And the more of nitrogenous food there is eaten, the greater will be the amount of dead and useless material that remains in the blood.

The worn-out nitrogenous or albuminous substances—dead so far as tissue life is concerned—are, of course, thrown off in tiny atoms invisible to the naked eye, and in health they are chemically converted into urea, which, being easily dissoluble in water, is excreted by the kidneys.

But when there is an excess of nitrogenous waste in the blood, a more insoluble and more complex substance is formed, by the aggregation and oxidation of atoms, termed uric acid. Some of this the kidneys have the power to eliminate from the blood—a few grains only—and excrete, but if there is an excess of uric acid, it is retained in the system, and deposited here and there in the joints and muscles of the body, laying the foundation for the symptoms named above, and very frequently provoking them. This is especially the case with severe headaches, lowered pulse beat, depression, cold and clammy surface and extremities. In nearly all such cases the blood is too much acidified by uric acid.

Excitant causes—an attack of indigestion, a disordered liver, a chill, a cold—or too sudden an exposure to extreme changes of temperature—may, and mostly do, at once provoke the painful symptoms of muscular rheumatism, indicating the deposits in the joint, &c., of rheumatic and gouty material. Or there may be other limb, nerve, or joint trouble to distress the patient, practically all arising from uric acid.

And now as to the remedy for this untoward condition. Strict attention to dietetics and minimisation of the use of nitrogenous or albuminous food will do something, but it must be remembered that there is a store of uric acid in the system, a good portion of which at least must be eliminated to reduce the many painful symptoms to which reference has been made.

Nature gives us the clue: She says, plainly enough, "Reduce the acidity of the blood, thus removing the cause, and the pains and symptoms, which are the effect, will cease or diminish."

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THE BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL

(Sept. 10, 1892), says:—

"Messrs. Kutnow and Co. showed an improved Effervescent Carlsbad Powder, decidedly more palatable than the ordinary Carlsbad Powder, evaporated at the springs, of which it reproduces the therapeutic effects, while effectually covering the nauseous taste and objectionable bitter flavour of sulphate of soda. It is gentle, effervescent, and is a very efficient and agreeable aperient."

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THE BRISTOL MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL JOURNAL:—

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WESTMINSTER, Good Friday.

An unobtrusive but not less significant sign of the times is the conference of shipowners and members of the House of Commons that took place the other day at the invitation of Sir Thomas Sutherland, chairman of the P. and O. Company. The privacy of the proceedings has been specially guarded. I learn from one who was present that these unromantic business men met to consider how the shipping interest would be affected in case of war. To my mind this gathering makes the imminence of war more real than the flying rumours of the hour and the unrest in the House of Commons. Time is too precious to these men to be wasted in idle talk. If it seemed necessary to confer on the question what would become of them and their property in time of war, war was looming uncomfortably near. The company, apart from shipowners, included two members of the Government, two ex-Cabinet Ministers (Mr. John Morley and Mr. Bryce), and six or eight other leading members of the House of Commons.

Considering the prominence and space given in the newspapers to the crisis in the Far East, it was curious to observe how naturally and unanimously successive speakers turned their attention, not to the possibility of being at war with Russia, but to the probability of coming to blows with France. It is in West Africa, not in the Gulf of Pechili, where the eyes of those who see most clearly rest with apprehension. The principal fear with respect to affairs in the Far East is that the Jingo party at home might force the hand of the Government, compelling them to pick a quarrel with Russia. Lord Salisbury, backed as he is by Sir William Harcourt and the Opposition generally, may be counted upon to avert that calamity. In West Africa, where England and France are at touch, the Jingoes, sword in hand, are actually masters of the situation. What is feared is that any day may bring news of some outbreak at outposts that, inflaming national feeling on either side of the Channel, may overmaster the anxious efforts of diplomatists to peacefully adjust the situation.

A shipowner, who opened the conference, insisted that he and his class should be guaranteed against loss by a system of national insurance. That was the only false note struck at the conference. Sir Donald Currie, speaking with the evident approval of other large shipowners, repudiated the suggestion, insisting that the shipping trade could not expect to be treated differently from any other commercial interest. They must look after themselves, and in case of war take their chance with the rest. Finally it was resolved that the only hope of salvation lay with the navy. In the confidence of a private meeting, sitting with jealously guarded doors, Lord Charles Beresford made an important and interesting communication. It showed that the Admiralty, deliberately preparing in days of peace for a time of war, have fixed upon a plan of campaign that, whilst effectively guarding the island, will give fullest measure of freedom to the mercantile marine. The plan, exceedingly simple, was devised by the late Admiral Tryon. I daresay it is no secret to our friends the other maritime countries. But it need not be disclosed in an English newspaper.

Another novel and interesting contribution to information on the subject relates to telegraph cables. Sir Thomas Sutherland, in the masterly statesmanlike paper he contributed to the conference, dwelt upon the deep-sea cables as likely to play an important part in any modern war between maritime Powers. He concluded that Great Britain would chiefly benefit by this agency, having the means beyond any other Power of sending reinforcements to particular points upon the alarm being flashed under sea. Sir Charles Dilke, in a few words, riddled this pleasing theory. He showed how, without exception save in the Atlantic cables (and significantly enough they did not come into the controversy), the cable service converging on London at one point or another touches foreign shore. The first thing that would happen in case of outbreak of war against England would, in Sir Charles's opinion, be the cutting of the cables, and the consequent isolation of England from her colonies, India, and distant outposts of the Empire. Suggestion was thrown out that this difficulty might be met in particular instances by the laying of direct cables. Another conclusion unanimously arrived at was that as a means of reaching India the Suez Canal would in time of war become practically non-existent, and that once again the Cape route would be the highway eastward for British ships.

Preparations for the Royal Academy show are now in full swing. All the pictures have been sent in, and the hanging committee are daily at work. It is a laborious task, conscientiously performed by men who, as a rule, approach it suffering from the pressure of private overwork consequent on giving the last touches to their pictures. The administration of the Royal Academy is, as far as the public knowledge is concerned, an obscure but by no means an easy task. There is a general impression, at least in foreign countries, that the Academy is a public institution supported, like the British Museum and the National Gallery, out of public funds. It is true that the site of Burlington House, whither 20 years ago the Academy had been removed from Trafalgar-square, is occupied rent free. Beyond that the Royal Academy pays its own way. Its annual disbursements average £20,000, and its sole source of revenue is the shillings taken at the doors during the summer and winter exhibitions.

It was George the Third who founded the Royal Academy, and his successors on the Throne have ever since kept up close personal relations with what is otherwise strictly a private society. To-day the only function royalty honours in connection with the Academy is that the Prince of Wales is invariably present at the annual dinner, and that before the exhibition opens to the public royalty has half a day to itself for exclusive view of the pictures. The reality of the Sovereign's supervision was shown two year's ago when, at the Queen's personal suggestion, and contrary to the view taken by the large majority of the R.As., the Academy dinner was foregone in May, 1897, because on the previous November the President, Sir Frederick Leighton, a special favourite of the Queen, had died.

The occasion for the return to the stage of the lady once known as Kate Terry adds pathos to the interest the event has excited in the dramatic world. Many years ago, at a time when, little more than a girl, Kate Terry had established a brilliant reputation, she went and married a linendraper. From a worldly point of view the match was excellent, and Miss Terry did not hesitate to conform to the condition that she should quit the much-loved stage. For something like a quarter of a century she has lived the centre of a happy and affluent home. Her husband's house has, during that period, been the hospitable rendezvous of some of the best known men. At one time private theatricals were in great vogue, and Kate Terry was seen on the stage again charming a select circle of friends. By the outer world she was seen at the theatre in the stalls, generally accompanied by her two pretty daughters. She has been a steady first-nighter, renewing her own triumphs in watching her sister Ellen on the Lyceum stage.

A couple of months ago the literary and dramatic world were astonished to hear that the collection of pictures and nick-nacks, familiar in the home of Kate Terry's husband, were about to be sold. Then came the sale of the furniture. The quitting of the old home, and the news that a long-established business, gradually fading, could be kept going only by the personal sacrifice of its principal partner. At this crisis Kate Terry's heart, untravelled, fondly turned to the stage. She resolved that she would go back and earn her own living again. She will make her rentree in about a fortnight's time at the Globe Theatre, playing with her old friend, John Hare, in a new piece called "The Master."

Early in the fifties the Queen and the Prince Consort had a series of theatrical performances at Windsor Castle. The manager was Charles Kean. Playing himself in the title role of King John he engaged Kate Terry to play Arthur. Mrs. Arthur Lewis tells me she has vivid recollection of that memorable appearance before royalty. It was not only the stage and the audience that terrified a child of 7 years of age, there was the agony of going through her part with an utter stranger. She was told she must expect Kean to play King John quite differently from anyone she had been used to. She must be careful to take her cue from him, and get along as well as she could. In this respect she found herself equal to the situation, and all went well on the stage. But her chief terror was the Queen, whom she was astonished to see sitting in a chair and not wearing a crown. "I felt convinced," Mrs. Lewis says, "that if I did anything wrong, forgot a word, or did not promptly take a cue, the Queen would order me off for instant execution."

How idle were her fears, how great her triumph, is borne testimony to from an unexpected quarter. Macaulay, not yet a peer, was among the guests commanded to the play. Writing about it afterwards, he said: "The little girl who acted Arthur did wonders. It is almost worth while to be past middle life to see Miss Kate Terry play this." These are cheering words to sound in the ears of the plucky lady taking up again, after the lapse of many years, the thread of her girlhood's task.

AUSTRALIAN AND IMPERIAL TOPICS.

LONDON, April 8.

The long-expected statement as to the policy of the Government in the Far East was made by Mr. Balfour on Tuesday on the adjournment of the House for the Easter holidays. It is too early yet to speak confidently of the impression which it will make, for opinion has hardly begun to develop, but it looks as if what has been done may lead to a lively controversy. I am bound to say that the tone and manner of Mr. Balfour's speech did not greatly impress the crowded audience which listened to it; it had too little about it of the statement of a fixed policy, and too much of the explanation and apology. I more than once saw two of the "distinguished strangers" in the diplomatic gallery—there were some four or five ambassadors present—exchange very significant looks when Mr. Balfour halted a little in describing the negotiations which led up to the acquisition of Wei-hai-wei. One thing was made absolutely clear in the course of the debate, that our relations with Russia are by no means as satisfactory as it had been hoped, and in point of fact that our latest coup in the East was in the nature of a reprisal. On this point Mr. Balfour spoke with unmistakeable clearness, and apparently in words which had been carefully prepared. We did not want Wei-hai-wei, but we are going to take it because Russia insisted against our strong remonstrances in occupying Port Arthur, thus threatening to dominate Pekin. "This," as I heard a member of the Front Opposition bench say immediately after the debate, "hardly looks healthy for the future."

There is, however, another thing which is very noticeable, and this is the lateness of the date at which the definite arrangements with China were made. It is only about a fortnight ago since the first hint was given to Russia that we intended to look for a counterpoise. That is to say, it was since Lord Salisbury resigned the effective management of foreign affairs, and since the agitation on the Ministerial benches against his policy in the Far East took definite shape. All this is regarded here as pointing to a steady advance of the influence of the Forward party in the Cabinet—that is, to the triumph of Mr. Chamberlain's views over those of his titular chief. The immediate result has been to cause a vague sense of anxiety and unrest in regard to the general situation, which I find to be much more profoundly shared by the older hands in Parliament, who may be supposed to be the better judges of probable consequences, than among the younger and more buoyant spirits. A German official here told a friend of mine—not, I am bound to record, with even a diplomatic affectation of much regret—that in his view a serious quarrel between Russia and England with regard to China was inevitably coming. We shall see.

The South African colonies, at all events, seem disposed to make their contribution to Imperial defence—as a high colonial official is reported to have said—"in kind." This week we have the news that, following in a way the example of Cape Colony in providing a first-class battleship, Natal is prepared to supply, free of cost, 12,000 tons of steam coal annually to ships of her Majesty's navy calling at Durban. The proposal seems to have given more pleasure here at home than it had been an offer of hard coin. It has a business-like air about it which specially appeals to business people. In itself it is not a bad advertisement of the colony, and an advertisement in which we can all feel a satisfaction. It is, too, another of those gentle intimations of the resources of our empire which have such an immense effect upon the imagination of the foreigner. There are other reasons, too, for this pleasure in finding Natal coming to the front, for it is not so long since the relations between the colony and the Home authorities were, to say the least, by no means over cordial. At all events, I know that the offer has given great satisfaction in official quarters here, and the cordial terms in which Mr. Chamberlain has acknowledged it are not simply complimentary.

The death of "Sir Roger Charles Doughty Tichborne"—he is so described, it seems, even on the plate upon his coffin—will awaken many curious recollections in Sydney as well as in London. To the rising generation he was, of course, only a name; but no one who has arrived at middle age will have forgotten the tremendous sensation caused by the famous action for the "recovery" of the Tichborne estates, and by the trial for perjury which followed it. I have often enough seen Arthur Orton—to give him his real name—in public—without being much impressed with anything, except his at one time enormous bulk, which of late years had been much reduced by illness. But I once had a talk with him in private, along with one or two of his sympathisers among certain political men, and I must say that without having the least belief in his pretensions I was more favourably impressed by his demeanour than I had expected. It is said that in the right sort of company, especially in the public-house company which he has lately frequented, for the sake of an occasional sending round of the hat, he could be voluble and self-assertive enough, but at the time of which I am speaking his manner was extremely undemonstrative and, one may say, natural. He talked freely, for instance, of his colonial experiences. As to his wrongs in the matter of the estates and his real position he had hardly anything to say, treating these quietly as matters which required no demonstration in the eyes of thinking men. In fact I thought then, and I still think, that at one period of his career, at all events, he had really managed to bring himself to believe, by constantly harping on the same chord, that he was a victim of a real injustice—much as George IV. is said to have come to believe that he was at the battle of Waterloo. Perhaps, however, this was only on the lines of the celebrated declaration of one of his supporters in Trafalgar-square, that he would never have been kept out of his estates "if he hadn't been a poor butcher's son." There appeared to be some time ago a chance that he had finally shaken off his imposture, for it will be remembered that he published a long "confession," in which he admitted himself to be Arthur Orton. But the old pretension was soon revived, possibly for the sake of the public-house subventions to which I have referred, and he has died unrepentant.

Another cause celebre which has an indirect colonial interest has been recalled this week by a paragraph which has been circulating to the effect that a cousin of Mrs. Maybrick's, who has just died in New Zealand, has left her a fortune of several thousand pounds, to be paid to her on her release from prison. The relationship of the testator to the convict may to some extent account for his action, but it may probably be taken for granted that he was persuaded of her innocence. It is very curious to note how many sympathisers Mrs. Maybrick has both in America and in the colonies—far more, apparently, than in this country. I believe that a resolution was once passed at a meeting in New York practically calling upon the United States Government—though the people who passed it may not have understood the fact—to make a casus belli out of the matter. There was certainly a memorial from Canada to the Queen on the subject. In this country the vast majority of thinking people have always held that the chain of evidence was complete, and yet there has always been just a little shadowy fear even among them also. There was the awkward fact that the poison which Mrs. Maybrick was supposed to have administered was a drug which her husband habitually took for medicinal purposes. And worse than this was the extremely technical ground on which the then Home Secretary cancelled the capital sentence. The people of this country have no love of legal subtleties, and there was always a suspicion that Mr. Matthews may have felt some very slight doubt in his own mind, which he covered by this legal hairsplitting. Mrs. Maybrick's own persistent assertion of her innocence has also, no doubt, helped to keep alive among some people the uncertainty as to the justice of her sentence.

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THE WOOL TRADE.

Friday Evening.

A pregnant indication of the state of supplies in the local market is afforded by the compression of the sales into one every three weeks, the innovation having been commenced with this week's sales.

The eight selling brokers who conducted auctions brought forward 2381 bales, scoured wools, as is usual at this time of the year, being largely in evidence, and though there was a weakening in the case of greasy wools, greatly owing to the generally low and nondescript character of the offerings, it is matter for satisfaction that inferior to medium scoureds sold well under a good demand, and at prices showing only the suspicion of a lower tendency.

The top figure—8d—for greasy was obtained for 8 bales first A combing WH of the RN over Gaylong brand, from Queensland, a wool of fair length of staple, sound, of good quality, and in fair condition; other lots of the same mark bringing 7½d, 7d, 6½d, and 6d. Next in order of price was the AW over Bellevue wool, also from Queensland, which brought 7¼d, being of fair length and good quality, though the presence of dust detracted from its value.

In scoured, the best price was 17d paid for 32 bales AWE of the S over Summer Hills mark, treated at Longreach, Queensland, the general get-up being very satisfactory.

Private sales, ex previous catalogue, and without having been catalogued, form no inconsiderable proportion of the quantity sold, as 2925 bales are reported as having been disposed of by private contract. The sale of the month's output from the Collingwood works, Liverpool, at 16d per lb., and a line of Wright and Abbott's super combing at 16½d, demonstrate that whatever may be the conditions ruling in other parts of the world, in Sydney, at least, there is always a good market for wool when of the descriptions suitable to the requirements of buyers, Botany water doing much to put the wool in the condition appreciated by them.

The next sales in Sydney will be held on June 1.

The following are current quotations in the Sydney market:—

Description.	Superior. d. d.	Good. d. d.	Medium. d. d.	Inferior. d. d.
Greasy fleece	None Offering.	7½ to 9	6¼ to 7½	4¼ to 6¼
Greasy lambs		6¾ to 8½	5½ to 6½	4 to 5¼
Greasy pieces		6½ to 7½	5 to 6	4 to 4¾
Greasy bellies		4½ to 5½	3½ to 4½	2½ to 3½
Greasy crossb.		5½ to 7½	5¼ to 6	4½ to 6¼
Scoured fleece	15½ to 18	14 to 15½	12 to 13½	11 to 11½
Scoured pieces	13 to 14½	11½ to 12½	10 to 11	8½ to 9½
Scoured bellies	12 to 14	10½ to 11½	9 to 10½	7½ to 9
Scoured locks	9½ to 11½	8 to 9½	7 to 7½	5½ to 6½

Offerings and sales by the various brokers are as follows:—

Selling Brokers.	Catalogued.	Sold. At auction and privately ex previous catalogues.	Sold. Privately, without having been catalogued for auction sale.	Total Sales.
	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.
Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited	305	232	...	232
Dalgety and Co., Ltd.	418	424	188	612
Winchcombe, Carson, and Co.	186	200	1,000	1,200
John Bridge and Co., Limited	710	531	114	645
Wyly, Trenchard, and Co.	—	—	131	131
Australasian Mortgage and Agency Co., Ltd.	—	—	—	—
Hill, Clark, and Co.	—	—	—	—
New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Limited	308	222	—	222
J. C. Young and Co.	92	115	...	115
Pastoral Finance Association, Limited	119	107	371	478
Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited	133	177	1,121	1,298
Other brokers	...			
Total for the week	2,381	2,008	2,925	4,933
Brought forward	437,377	382,387	48,314	430,701
Total since July 1, 1897	439,758	384,395	51,239	435,634
Corr'ponding period of previous season	435,029	365,421	27,584	393,005
Increase	4,729	18,974	23,655	42,629

The arrivals into Sydney for the week are as under:—

	Bales.
By rail	457
By sea	555
Total	1,012

The arrivals since the beginning of the statistical year are:—

	Bales.
At Darling Harbour Railway Station:	
From July 1, 1897, to May 11, 1898	430,958
Corresponding period last year	477,304
Decrease	46,156
By sea:	
From July 1, 1897, to May 11, 1898	124,602
Corresponding period last year	128,414
Decrease	3,752

The following shipments have taken place:—

From Sydney:	
Rome (s.), to London, May 7	339
Rome (s.), to Trieste, May 7	23
Tokio Maru (s.), to Japan, May 7	74
Taiyuan (s.), to Japan, May 11	50
Total for week	476
Brought forward since July 1, 1897	572,647
Total from Sydney	573,123
From Newcastle:	Nil.
Brought forward since July 1, 1897	38,439
Total from Sydney and Newcastle	611,562
Corresponding period last year	665,824
Decrease	54,262

The continued shortage in arrivals by rail and sea now stands at 50,188 bales, as against 50,124 bales last week and 50,412 bales the week before.

Oversea shipments show a decrease of 54,262 bales, as compared with 48,932 bales last week and 52,392 bales the week before.

So far as the present month has gone, the oversea shipments are 3808 bales short of what they were at this date in May, 1897, which seems to justify our remarks of last week in regard to the two last months of the present wool year not showing such extensive exports as the corresponding months of 1897.

London brokers' reports to hand by last mail comment on the progress and close of the second or March series of sales, and some interesting items that have been too minute for cabling are now available. Thus it is mentioned that although the competition began actively, chiefly on the part of the home trade, a free Continental demand was almost immediately manifested, German spinners and French operators taking up the running, supporting the market very effectively. Although not of a uniform character, the advance at the outset is reported at 5 per cent. for merino, and as the sales progressed there seems to have been an equal decline in wools that in the January series would have been taken for America.

Good middling greasy kept firm throughout, and the lower-priced descriptions showed decided improvement, scoured wools selling relatively better than greasy. Regularity seems to have been a marked feature of the sales, which, by the way, is a characteristic more noticeable in colonial than in London sales. The percentages of the various descriptions of which the quantity offered was composed is of interest as showing the preponderating position taken by wool in its natural state. Thus the proportion of greasy is given at 78·71 per cent., scoureds 19·67 per cent., and fleece washed only 1·62 per cent. Whilst this would seem to prove that manufacturers prefer to treat the staple ab initio, and as it comes from the sheep's back, there is no question that many wools, notably heavy skirtings and faulty and inferior wools, are benefited by the scouring process when efficiently done. The position to which washed fleece has been relegated is worthy of notice, and affords evidence of how a practice followed because it was at one time thought the proper thing to do has fallen into almost entire disuse.

After having their usual "fling" at colonial markets, Messrs. Buxton, Ronald, and Co. write—and what they say is particularly comforting to New South Wales growers—"Prices for merinos remained buoyant, with the special advantage that the most material rise affected the large preponderance of inferior to average merinos, which a couple of months ago—viz., in the January series—occupied so weak a place." Speaking of crossbreds they say:—"The outlook is still uncertain. Coarse qualities are out of favour, and so far as can be discerned at present, there is no immediate prospect of an improved market for the very heavy supplies which must shortly be available."

At the London series of sales now in progress there is practically no change to report, opening prices being maintained under an improved demand. Best greasy merinos are specially mentioned as inducing stronger competition.

The quantity available for the series is now stated at 206,000 bales, instead of 180,000 bales, as previously reported.

The time required for a journey round the earth by a man walking day and night, without resting, would be 428 days; an express train, 40 days; sound, at a medium temperature, 32½ days; a cannon ball, 21¼ hours; light, a little over 1-10th of a second; and electricity, passing over a copper wire, a little under 1-10th of a second.

A woman at Oklahoma recently sued her husband for divorce on the ground that having lived with her for 40 years he never took her anywhere, not even to church.

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POULTRY AND KENNEL NOTES.

EARLY PUPPIES.

There is no doubt early spring is far the most favourable time to breed dogs. Breeders of long experience fully appreciate this fact, that where open and pure air and sunshine are denied during the early days of life the future is greatly prejudiced, and if the time could always be fixed to this period, the puppies not only do not require such extreme care and attention, but thrive infinitely better, while, being far on the road to maturity, they are well fortified against cold weather before it sets in. It is quite possible to rear winter puppies, if warm and well-ventilated quarters are provided; yet even under these conditions they scarcely ever do as well and develop into as hardy specimens, and it can safely be accepted that the exceptions are seldom met with among the largest and heaviest varieties, which are ever likely to prove failures unless under the most healthful influences from the first. The fact that for several days puppies are very feeble and extremely sensitive to cold appears one of the first great dangers encountered when born in inclement weather. It can safely be accepted that if a puppy becomes chilled during the first two or three days the chances are nearly all against recovery; also that when this happens in a room kept as warm as it ought to be, the victim is naturally weakly, and even were warmth restored it would scarcely be possible to rear him. This limit is set for hardy breeds, yet there are some—such as Italian greyhounds, black-and-tan terriers, and toys, for instance—which require a higher degree of warmth; in fact, these varieties can scarcely be too warm during the earlier days of life.

ARTIFICIAL REARING OF PUPPIES.

Puppies that have lost their mothers can be fed by means of a spoon, or nourished in the same way as infants deprived of their mother's milk. The apparatus used should consist of merely a small bottle and rubber nipple, in the top of which has been placed a small piece of sponge which fits easily without compression. Most of the nipples sold in shops have too small holes, and the milk does not flow as freely as it ought. It will be necessary to enlarge one or two of them to the size of a darning needle. Puppies that are nourished artificially require feeding nights as well as days, and during the first week once every hour and a half; while every two hours should be the rule in the second week, and three hours in the third. At the same time they should be kept in a warm place in a basket lined with flannel. The amount of food given each feeding should be sufficient to fill out their abdomens without distending them. Milk is the food required, and it may be direct from the cow or in condensed form. In the first instance it should be scalded, allowed to cool until "blood warm," and then to each feeding should be added a pinch of the saccharated pepsin, an agent which contains the digestive principles of the gastric juice. By this means cow's milk will be rendered nearly if not quite as easily digestible as the canine mother's, and dilution will not be necessary, nor would it be advisable, for the former is not as rich as the latter. Milk properly condensed has essentially the same composition as before evaporation, minus the water; that is unless cane sugar has been added or the heat carried too high; but that which is commonly used for domestic purposes is not above suspicion of sophistication and indifferent methods of preservation, therefore only the brands intended for infants should be used, as for the dilutions required they vary with the preparations, but as a general rule half a teaspoonful of milk to eight teaspoons of water is about the correct proportion to be given. It is highly important when feeding artificially that the apparatus be kept clean, and in the event of diarrhoea appearing it may be accepted that the milk is too rich, and requires dilution, while if there is a sour odour it will be necessary to give at each feeding as much limewater as milk; colic either exists or is imminent, hence one drop of laudanum should be given between each feeding. If a puppy takes kindly to the bottle the first day the chances of carrying him through are fairly good, but only an occasional one does this, and even he is likely to fall a victim to diarrhoea, colic, or other digestive disturbance. However, this unfortunate outlook ought not to deter anyone from endeavouring to save valuable puppies when this is the last resource. In some countries infants deprived of their mothers are often nursed by animals. As for the small breeds, to secure a foster mother is easier—in fact, in every case if they can be obtained—to rear valuable puppies, which suits better than artificial means.

HEALTHY POULTRY STOCK.

There is one broad rule of action for the beginner in breeding poultry, and that is to procure good stock at the start, take care of them, breed them intelligently, and feed them properly. Do not begin with the idea that there is a gold mine in the poultry business because you read of some old fancier getting £10 or £20 for a bird. Such prices are seldom reached now, and by far the greater number of breeders are satisfied with £5, and dispose of more. The possession of good stock, healthy and vigorous, is a matter of paramount importance to every breeder. Too much pains cannot be taken in selecting those birds that have constitutional vigour, well marked, showing they are from good stock-getters, for a bird in whom excellence is constitutional is more apt to transmit this excellence in all its developed power and beauty to its progeny. Close breeding consists in mating birds which are related to each other, and breeding in and in is the most fruitful source of trouble we have to contend against in keeping up the fertility, stamina, and constitutional hardiness of our stock, after having secured some temporary improvements or established some desirable points. For a time close breeding will give many uniform points in size, colour, and markings, and these may be retained as long as the vitality of the breeding stock lasts; but sooner or later it will begin to show in the non-hatching of a large percentage of eggs, the chicks die in the shell, may come deformed, or in the shape of "sports," for all the defects of past generations meet no counteracting merits in the opposite sex, but simply a reproduction of themselves, the defects being more potent in reproduction. One of the secrets of raising poultry successfully is to make them be up and doing, with a "heart with every scratch;" if allowed to remain inactive and receive plenty of hearty food, they will become lazy and fat. Another matter which should receive attention is the evil of over-stocking birds in houses or runs. Fowls do not like being crowded. A few weeks of close cooping will show in their looks and desires, such as feather-eating, egg-eating, while exercise acts on the contrary, for it stirs up their blood, keeps down internal fatness and all the tendency to laziness, and consequent ailments that follow in its train.

FEATHERS.

Feathers are not worth saving in small quantities, but when many fowls are kept they become of value. All may be used, the webs of the large ones being stripped from the quills and the small ones left as they are. The whole must then be placed in paper bags quite loosely and hung in a warm place to dry. They should then be baked for half an hour in a cool oven, drying again for a day or two, then baking once more, when they will be cured and ready for pillows and feather beds.

POULTRY FOR EXHIBITION.

A large number of poultry exhibitors buy and exhibit fowls merely from a feeling of pride in their possession—not that they love or care for them in reality, but from the same feeling which leads a wealthy man with no love whatever of art to adorn his house with pictures or lay out an extensive garden. There may be at first a slight passing interest in the birds, but there it ends; and when the birds, purchased regardless of expense, die or get out of condition from continued showing, the interest comes to an end along with the success, for their progeny is in all probability worthless; disgust follows, and another so-called fancier gives up a pursuit he never really entered into at all. There is a great difference in the results of the same pursuit, for profit and loss do not depend upon accident or chance, but are necessary consequences of wise and unwise methods of procedure; and, to put the matter as tersely and simply as possible, we are satisfied from long experience and careful observation that the losers and gainers in the poultry-fancy might be almost in every case correctly described by the terms of buyers and breeders, or, yet again, as those persons who are merely exhibitors, or such as are fanciers in the true sense of the term. To attempt to keep many breeds is to fail. Each variety demands not only judgment and care, but to some extent a trained eye. It will be found, in fact, that one variety spoils or biases the eye in judging another of a very different character—although long experience and the constant sight of birds will to some extent correct this, and, as one of our prominent judges said, he could never judge a Game class to his satisfaction if compelled to take it immediately after judging Brahmas or Cochins. Therefore the same applies to keeping two or three varieties. All the practical difficulties of breeding, hatching, rearing, and selecting are increased tremendously, and what might be a pleasure becomes a burden; and taking breeders who may to some extent have succeeded in keeping many varieties, scarcely any have done so in keeping a commanding position for many years, and this lesson should be well regarded by amateurs.

SUBURBAN ROBBERIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In this morning's "Herald" I noticed that there has been another robbery at Summer Hill—a church this time. This totals the fourth or fifth within the past few weeks, three of which have occurred in Henson-street, within close proximity of each other. About a fortnight ago I had a valuable rug stolen from my house in the broad daylight, which, so far, the police have been unsuccessful in recovering.

Sir, can nothing be done to somewhat lessen these suburban robberies? It is not altogether what these plunderers take, but the great alarm they cause others, particularly women. In my humble opinion there are only two reasons to attribute for the increase of these burglaries, viz.: First, the number of police are insufficient; secondly, want of severer punishment. Judging by the number of old criminals who appear at the courts times out of number, it is apparent that terms of imprisonment act as no warning to them.

Trusting something may speedily be done to protect suburban residents from this very great annoyance,

I am, &c.,
RESIDENT OF HENSON-STREET.

May 11.

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RELIGIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Church of England.

ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL.—Holy Communion, 8 and 11: Preachers: 11, the Archbishop; 3.15, Rev. A. G. Corlette; 7, Canon Sharp. Thursday, Ascension Day, H. C., 8 and 11. Preacher, 11, The Archbishop, 7.30.

ST. THOMAS', Balmain.—11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Rev. JOHN DIXON.

ST. PAUL'S, Redfern.—The Most Rev the Archbishop of Sydney will preach To-morrow, at 7 p.m.

ST. PHILIP'S, Sydney.—Morning, 11, Ven. Archdeacon Langley; Evening, 7, Rev. J. G. Fenton.

ST. Mary's Hall, Adolphus-street, E. Balmain.—MONDAY, 8 p.m., LECTURE by Rev. Mervyn Archdall, M.A. Subject, "The Re-Romanising of the Church of England, and its Reproduction in the Colonies." Some facts.

ST. THOMAS', North Sydney. Services, 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 11.45 a.m., 7 p.m. On Ascension Day (next Thursday), "The Ascension Music" (Gounod) will be given with full orchestra at 8 p.m.

ST. JAMES', King-st., May 15.—SERVICES at 8, 11, 3, and 7.15.
On Sunday week, 4-5 p.m., Gounod's Ascension music, by choir and orchestra of S. Thomas' Church, North Sydney.

Presbyterian.

ASHFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—TO-MORROW'S Services will be conducted by the Rev. W. H. ASH, of Dunedin, at 11; and the Rev. Dr. R. S. DUFF, of Glasgow, at 7.

ANNANDALE Hunter-Baillie Memorial Church.—11, Rev. J. N. Terras; 7, Rev. W. W. Boyle.

BURWOOD.—St. James'.—Forenoon, Rev. J. Alwyn Ewen. Evening, Rev. W. K. Duthie, M.A.

CHALMERS CHURCH (opposite Exhibition Building). Rev. G. D. BUCHANAN.
11 a.m., "A Study about Great Things."
7.15 p.m., "Through Fire to a Higher Life."

MANLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. J. Anderson Gardiner, B.A., at 11 and at 7.30.

NEWTOWN Presbyterian Church.—11, Rev. T. W. Dunn and Mr. Henderson, C.S.; 7, Rev. T. W. Dunn.

PADDINGTON Pres. Ch., Oxford-st.—Rev. J. Fulton, 11, "The Vine Planted" 7.15, "A Faithful Saying."

PETERSHAM CHURCH, 18th Anniversary.—Sabbath Services—Morning, Rev. Principal Kinross; evening, Rev. J. Auld. Mr. P. D. M'Cormick will address S.S. at 3. Annual Tea Meeting Wednesday, at 6.30. Tickets, 1s.

PITT and HAY STREETS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Minister, Rev. J. C. CHRISTIE.
11 a.m., Simeon's Song, "Nunc Dimittis."
7 p.m., "The Sorrow of Development."

RANDWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. W. G. Maconochie, M.A., 11 a.m. and 7.15 p.m.

SCOTS CHURCH.—Rev. W. M. Dill Macky, 11, "The Second Woe;" 7 p.m., "End of the Dispensations."

ST. GEORGE'S FREE CHURCH, Castlereagh-st.—Rev. T. S. Forsaith, 11 and 7 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—11 a.m., 7 p.m., Rev. James Milne.

ST. LUKE'S Presbyterian Church, Redfern.—Rev. T. J. Curtis, 11, 7. "Assembly Proceedings." 7. Great Missionary Meeting, Wednesday Evg. next. Addresses, Miss M'Lean, Zenana missionary, Madras, & Miss Forbes.

ST. STEPHEN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PHILLIP-STREET.
Morning, 11: Rev. Dr. R. S. DUFF, Minister of Free St. George's, Glasgow, Commissioner of the Free Church of Scotland to the Colonial Churches.
Evening, 7: Rev. JOHN FERGUSON. Subject, "The Recent Disastrous Storm, its Special Lessons."

WAVERLEY Presbyterian Church.—Rev. John Macaulay, M.A., 11 a.m. and 7.15 p.m. Sunday services.

WOOLLAHRA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Corner of Ocean and Forth streets,
Rev. JOHN WALKER, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Congregational.

PITT-STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.
Dr. BEVAN, of Melbourne, will Preach Morning and Evening.
Morning, 11, subject, "The Rock and Peter."
Evening, 7, subject, "The Christian Embassy."
AFTERNOON, at 3,
Service for the People, in the large Hall of the Y.M.C.A.
Address by Dr. BEVAN
on
"The Morals and Religion of Federation."
Collection for the Mission Settlement.

BURWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Rev. G. Campbell will preach at 11 and 7.15.

BOURKE-ST. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—11, Mr. J. M. Main; 7, Mr. H. L. Walters, song serv.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Newtown.—Rev. Warlow Davies, M.A., at 11 and 7.

CONGREGAT. CH., Willoughby.—Anniv. Sermons.—11 a.m., Rev. J. G. Middleton; 7 p.m., Rev. Dr. Bruce.

CONGREGA. CH., Petersham.—HomeMission, Sun., Tomor. mng., Rev. R. Williams; Ev., Rev. E. T. Dunstan.

CROYDON Congregational Church.—Morning, 11; evg., 7.15, "The Face of God." Rev. W. Mathison.

GLEBE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—Rev. E. Adams, morning and evening.

NORTH Syd. Congreg. Church.—11 and 7, Rev. H. C. George; 7, Praise Ser., Orch. Add. Causes for Praise.

POINT PIPER-ROAD CHURCH, Woollahra.—Morning at 11, Rev. W. J. L. Close, B.A.; Evening at 7 o'clock, Rev. J. Fordyce, M.A. Subject: First of Course of Sermons on MOSES. THE MAN OF GOD.

SUMMER Hill Congregational Ch.—Anniver. Services, 11 a.m., Rev. J. Fordyce, M.A.; 7, Rev. G. Littlemore.

TRINITY CONGL. CH., Strathfield.—11 a.m., Rev. Geo. Littlemore; 7.15 p.m., Rev. W. J. L. Close, B.A.

Wesleyan.

CENTENARY HALL.—Rev. W. G. TAYLOR, 11 and 7. Anniversary next Sunday. Rev. A. R. EDGAR, C. M. M., Melbourne. See future advertisements. Consecration Service To-night, 7.30.

BOURKE-ST.—11, "Shipwreck;" 7, "Religious Revival." Rev. J. K. Turner and Missionary Cooper.

WESLEY CHURCH, Chippendale.—Old friends attend ceremony laying Cor. Stone new Sch. H., this day, 3.

WESLEY CH., Regent-st.—Rev. P. J. Stephen, 11, 7. "The Horrors of War a Plea for Peace." Sits. free.

Baptist.

BAPTIST CHURCH, Boulevard, Petersham.—Dr. Thos. Porter, morning and evening. Seats free. All wel.

BAPTIST Church, Harris-st., Ultimo.—Pastor H. Clark, 11; the Pastor and Mr. Freeland, city mis., 7.

BAPTIST Church, Burton-st., City.—Mr. John Tout, 11 a.m.; Mr. and Mrs. W. White, 7 p.m. Welcome.

BATHURST-ST. BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. F. E. Harry. 11, Sydney for Christ. 7, Unconscious weakness.

NEWTOWN Baptist Church.—Morning, 11, Mr. Leury and Mr. Howat; even., 7, Mr. F. Henderson, c. mis.

NORTH Sydney Baptist Church, School of Arts, Mount-st.—Pastor Hiddlestone morning and evening.

STRICT Baptist Church, O.F. Temple, Elizabeth-st.—Every Lord's Day, 11 a.m., 7.15 p.m. Pastor, F. Beedle.

Other Services.

SYDNEY CITY MISSION.
TO-MORROW, SUNDAY, the 15th,
THE CITY MISSIONARIES
will Address upon their Work in the Churches as under:—

BAPTIST.
Morning—Bathurst-street, Carlton, Leichhardt, Petersham.
Evening—Harris-street and Newtown.

CONGREGATIONAL.
Morning—Bourke-street, Marrickville, Waverley.
Evening—Newtown and Rookwood.

PRESBYTERIAN.
Morning—Newtown.
Evening—Gladesville, Marrickville, and Waverley.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST.
Morning—Annandale, Balmain, Forest Lodge.
Evening—Harris-street.

WESLEYAN METHODIST.
Morning—Leichhardt, Lindfield.
Afternoon—Gordon (open air).
Evening—Bourke-street, Chatswood, Pymble, William-street, and Willoughby.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SUNDAY SCHOOLS, 3 p.m. St. David's and St. Michael's, Surry Hills; St. Matthias', Paddington; St. Paul's, Redfern: St. Philip's, Church-hill; Holy Trinity, Miller's Point.

MONDAY NEXT, MAY 16th,
THE 36th ANNUAL MEETING
will be held in the
Y.M.C.A. HALL.

His Excellency the Governor will preside.

Addresses by Hon. J. H. Young (Minister for Public Works), Revs. E. J. Rodd (President of the Wesleyan Conference), G. D. Buchanan, &c.

Commence at 8 o'clock. Short Programme of Music, 7.30, by large Mission Choir.
COLLECTION.
E. MOORE, Gen. Secretary.

UNITARIAN CHURCH, HYDE PARK. Rev. GEORGE WALTERS.
11 a.m.: "Emerson and William Ellery Channing."
7 p.m.: Lessons from Shakespeare—"Macbeth."

ANNANDALE P.M. CHURCH.—11, Mr. Mathers, City Missionary; 7, M. Beavley, minister.

ADDRESS to Christians, Temperance Hall, 3 p.m., by Mr. R. Hickson, "The Tabernacle" Gospel, 7.15.

SPIRITUAL Seance, Sun. eve. Madame Lacets, Sydney-chambers, 130 Pitt-st., near Truth office.

CHILDREN of GOD.—Mr. Baker-Walker on "The Latter Days," Sun., 7.30 p.m., 64 Watkin st., N'town.

CHRISTADELPHIAN HALL, 413 Eliz.-st.—Lecture, Sunday, 7, "Is the Resurrection Literal or Spiritual?"

CHRIST, THE LIFE and the LIFE-GIVER of the WORLD, by GEORGE LEWIS, at the Mission Church, Foresters' Hall, Castlereagh street, TO-MORROW EVENING. Services Morning and Evening.

CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH, Elizabeth-street, Redfern, near Cleveland-street. PUBLIC SERMON NEXT SUNDAY EVENING, at 7.30. Subject: "The Prophetic Ministry in the Christian Church; its true place and functions." All Seats Free. No Collection.

CHINESE GOSPEL MISSION, Castlereagh-street. A TEA and PUBLIC MEETING will be held on TUESDAY, May 17th, 1898, in the HARRIS-STREET BAPTIST CHURCH. Mr. Quong Tart will preside. Revs. Dr. Porter, S. Harrison, H. Clark, and others will address the meeting. Tea at 6.30, Public Meeting 8 p.m. Tickets 1s.
D. SHING, Pastor; A. M'LACHLAN, Sec.

DISCIPLES of Christ.—The Tabernacle, tram terminus, Enmore, 11, 3, and 7, Mr. T. Bagley, from America.

DIVINE HEALING through FAITH IN JESUS. No. 2 Temperance Hall, ev. SUNDAY, 3 p.m., no charge.

DR. and Mrs. MILLS will speak in hall 42, 76 Pitt-st., Sunday, at 11.

NEW CHURCH (Sydney Society), Thomas-street West and opp. Christ Church.—Services To-morrow, 11 and 7, Mr. NEWTON. Morning subject, "Prayer." Evening subject, "The Incarnation."

SPIRITUALISM.—Sun., 7.30, Mrs. Sullivan, assisted by Mr. Sullivan. A message to all. 279 Pitt-st., upstairs.

SPIRITUALISM.—70 Druitt-st., Sun. Night, 8 o'c., Trance Add., Clair. Mesdames Ophir and Clutah.

SPIRITUALISM.—Seance, Sunday, 7.30. Miss Bretnall, the youngest Clairvoyante. 44 Austr.-st., Ntn.

SPIRITUALISM.—Mr. Bryant's Public Circle every Sunday, 7.30 p.m., 12 Crown-st., opp. Lower Domain.

SPIRITUALISM. Seance, Sun., 7.30. Coll. Claire. tests to all. Madam Dunlop, 69 Holt-st., off Devonshire-st.

SPIRITUALISM.—Trance Address (Godly Love) Seance, 7.30. Coll. Mr. Greentree, 359 Cleveland-st.

SPIRITUALISM.—Seance Sunday night, 7.30. Mme. Belle, 631 Harris-st., Ultimo, near Technical College.

SPIRITUALISM.—Mr. Carr and Madam Cherry. Seance Sunday, 7.30, col. test to all. 25 Church-st., Newtown.

SPIRITUALISM.—Mrs. Barr, Seance, tests, Sunday, 7.30, Room 1, Temperance Hall, 306 Pitt-st.

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SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS.—Stanmore Church.—Sabbath, 9.30 and 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday, 7 p.m., subject, "Righteousness by Faith Only—Study in Romans." Ashfield Church, Sunday, 7 p.m.

SYDNEY THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
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UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD, I.O.O.F. Temple, Elizabeth-street, "The Art of Living," by T. W. Willans, A. A. Smith, E. Williams, and others, 7.30. Free.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION. TO-NIGHT, at 7.45. Address by Rev. W. GREENWOOD. BIBLE CLASS TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, at 3, "Obedient unto Death," Phil., 2-8. TO-MORROW EVENING, at 7.30, "The Gospel in Song and Story." Speaker, Mr. L. G. BANTING.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.
FIRST LECTURE OF WINTER COURSE,
TUESDAY NEXT, May 17th, at 7.45 p.m.,
by Professor T. W. E. DAVID, B.A.
Subject, "ISLES OF THE PACIFIC."
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Municipal Council Notices.

BOROUGH OF THE GLEBE.
NOTICE TO RATEPAYERS.
NOTICE is hereby given that the current year's RATES are now DUE, and should be paid without further delay.
T. D. GLASSCOCK,
Council Clerk.
Town Hall, Glebe,
10th May, 1898.

BOROUGH OF WAVERLEY.
ASSESSMENT NOTICE.
NOTICE is hereby given that an Assessment upon all rateable Properties within the Borough has been made by the Council thereof for the purposes set forth in Sections 141 and 143 of the Municipalities Act of 1867, and that a GENERAL RATE of ONE SHILLING (1s) in the pound (£), and a SPECIAL LIGHTING RATE of FOURPENCE (4d) in the pound (£), has been levied upon the ASSESSED VALUE thereof for the year 1898-9; and that the Books containing such Assessment and Rate are now open for inspection of any person rated or interested during office hours.

NOTICE is also hereby given that a COURT OF PETTY SESSIONS will be held at the POLICE COURT, PADDINGTON, on THURSDAY, 2nd day of June, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m., for Properties within the Borough, for hearing of Appeals against such Assessment.
Notice of Appeal must be in writing, and lodged with the Council Clerk seven days before the said 2nd day of June.
JOHN CLUBB,
Council Clerk.
Council-chambers, Waverley,
May 13th, 1898.

BOROUGH OF WAVERLEY.
STREET LEVELS.
NOTICE is hereby given that a PLAN showing the proposed permanent LEVELS of STANLEY-STREET, eight chains south from Birrell-street, Waverley, is open for the inspection of any person or persons interested therein up to noon of Saturday, the 28th instant, at the Council-chambers.
JOHN CLUBB,
Council Clerk.
Council-chambers, Waverley,
May 13th, 1898.

Parliamentary Elections.

FITZROY DIVISION.
Mr. T. M. SLATTERY
will
ADDRESS THE ELECTORS
at
KEARY'S HOTEL, WILLIAM-STREET,
on
MONDAY EVENING NEXT, 16th MAY.
L. M. PHILLIPS, J. P. SHERIDAN,
Hon. Secs.

FITZROY ELECTORATE.
FREETRADERS, BE NOT MISLED.
A well-known Freetrader (Macleay-street) will contest the coming election, receiving the Government support.

Houses and Land for Sale.
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TO SPECULATORS, INVESTORS, and OTHERS.—For Positive SALE, 8 HOUSES, in a splendid position, handy to city, each 5 rooms, kitchen, stove, sink, laundry, tubs, and copper, bathroom, large yards, back entrance, well built; price £2200, return £230 per an. Splendid Investment, Newtown. By order of the Bank. 2 Neat Cottages, each 3 rooms, kitchen, and outoffices, land 40 x 110 to a lane, let for 10s 6d per week; price £390, gift. Newtown.—Splendid Double-front Cottage, 7 rooms, kitchen, and outoffices, land 90 x 128, valuable corner block, good surroundings; mortgagee's sale; £675, terms. Petersham.—3 Beautiful Detached Cottages, each 5 rooms, kitchen, and complete outoffices, splendid block of land, close to station; price £1,125, return 9 per cent. per an. clear.
Many others not specially advertised.
Drive to inspect free of charge. Tel., 86.
C. H. CRAMMOND, Estate Agent,
Petersham station.

STANMORE HEIGHTS, Easterly Aspect.—A faithfully built HOUSE of 7 rooms, hall, folding-doors, kitchen and complete outoffices. The premises are in perfect order throughout, and ready for immediate occupation. Land 80ft. frontage by good depth, surrounded by shade and ornamental trees, lawn, garden, bushhouse and fernery, stabling accommodation. Price for this fine property only £850. A great sacrifice. Inspection invited.
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PETERSHAM.—A well-built double-front Bow-window COTTAGE, 4 large rooms, kitchen with range and sink, laundry (tubs and copper), bathroom, pantry, gas and city water, iron railing on stone coping in front; price only £550; nothing cheaper in the market; terms if required. Torrens.
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PETERSHAM.—Detached BRICK COTTAGE, almost new, slate roof, 4 splendid rooms, kit., every modern convenience, grand block of land, Torrens title, close to station, price £320, £25 deposit, balance 15s weekly. Why pay rent?
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Tel., 62. We drive to inspect.

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HENRY W. WILGOSS, 16 GLEBE-ROAD, GLEBE, HAS FOR SALE:—
Glebe Point.—New Cottage, 8 rooms, £875.
Glebe Point.—Building Site, 80 x 120, £6 10s p. foot.
Glebe.—Six Houses, returning £150 p. a., £1400.
Glebe.—Four modern Cottages, £114 p. a., £1100.
Glebe.—Balcony House, hall, 6 rooms, £325.
Glebe.—W.B. Cottage, large allotment, £150.
Newtown.—Corner, best part King-street, £1000.
Newtown.—Three Brick Cottages, £400.

A HANDSOME Double-fronted COTTAGE, hall, 5 rooms, kit., laundry, bath, all modern conveniences, nice garden, 2 min. from station; land 40ft. front., street at rear, £575. LAVERACK and CO., Lewisham.

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BEECROFT.—Brick House, 8 rooms, hall, kit., laun., bath, f. and b. verandahs, 2 acres planted, £1100.
BURWOOD.—Brick Cottage, 6 rooms, hall, kit., bath, laun., pantry, tennis court, 43ft. x 200ft. £775 terms.
DRUMMOYNE.—Cottage, 4 rooms, hall, kit., laundry, f. and b. vera., 60 x 98, £340, terms, 4 mins. to ferry.
ROCKDALE.—Cottage, 4 rooms, hall, kit., bath, pantry, f. and b. vera., 40 x 132, grand position, £350, terms.
STANMORE.—Brick Cottage, 4 rooms, hall, kit., pantry, lawn, ver., 18 x 100, £350.
WARREN HEIGHTS.—Brick House, 6 rooms, hall, kit., bath, &c., stables and c.h., 30 x 200, £400, terms.
WARREN HEIGHTS.—Brick Cottage, 4 rooms, hall, kit., bath, laun., ver., 25 x 134, £350, easy terms.
W. A. PETTIT, 36 Australia-street, Newtown.

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NORTH SYDNEY.—New SHOP and Fittings, stock optional, papers, fruit, tobacco, drinks, &c., ferry traffic, low rent, must sell, exceptional chance, a bargain. S. P. WARD and CO., Alfred-street, next Town Hall.

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A GOOD Investment.—Freehold, choice position, always let, return £143 per annum, price £1375; also, first-class City Investment, let to prime tenants, rents £166 per annum, price £1500. Stimson and Sons, 45 Glebe-rd., Gl.

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AT WENTWORTHVILLE, near the station, Block of LAND, 141 x 156 ft., Torrens title, must sell, any offer, say £60 the lot.
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COLLIN'S AGENCY, at Summer Hill station.
Drive to inspect.

ASHFIELD.—For SALE, substantial Brick COTTAGE, 6 rooms, outoffices, brick, slate roof, standing in the fine block of land of 142 x 124, only £625, a bargain; terms if required.
COLLIN'S AGENCY, at Summer Hill station.

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FUGITIVE NOTES.

This is the age of marvellous discoveries, when acute philosophers go about and suddenly light on Great Truths—which are mostly found to have been great commonplaces several centuries ago. A recent find of this sort has been the moneylender in England. Mr. Justice Hawkins, the famous criminal Judge (by the way, ought a Judge to be called a criminal Judge?) has been devising means to suppress the gentlemen who advance you a small sum for a consideration, and straightway a great hearty cry has gone up from a body of earnest and enthusiastically mistaken persons who think that the thing should be put down. These persons are generally comfortably off annuitants, or people who own house property, or retired bishops, or fathers whose sons have got them into difficulties through forestalling the parental allowance, and their sympathy is therefore of that fine, generous sort which declines to stoop to reason. The moneylender advances cash at high rates of interest, therefore away with him; he comes down on you when you do not pay the interest, and smashes you altogether when you refuse him his principal, and his terms are outrageous, and his habits predatory. Moving stories are told of the guileless young fellow of 25 or so who starts in life with fair prospects and a small income. With the rashness of youth he perceives that his income and his prospects should be made to balance—and he seeks the moneylender. Then he falls—once in the toils of the usurer his fate is sealed, and of course and naturally he tells lies, commits forgery, and breaks the hearts of his relatives. He must do so; the moneylender makes him—it seems that unless you are inclined to become a liar and a scoundrel on the slightest provocation you ought not to approach the moneylender at all. Because, of course, it seems to be tacitly understood by the agitated people who object to the moneylender that the flies who fall into the spider's web are quite as unprincipled as the spider. Only they are not half so sharp.

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I venture to say there is more nonsense talked on this subject than on most, and that is saying a good deal. No one loves the moneylender, for it isn't an endearing occupation. You cannot warm towards the man to whom you go in your last extremity, without any tie of friendship, seeking his aid. I doubt whether anyone ever entertained a really deep regard for his dentist. But dentist and moneylender are both alike indispensable to society. Of course a dentist who, perceiving an afflicted patient with an excruciating molar, made terms before he would do him the offices of his profession should be execrated. So, too, should the moneylender who makes unjust terms out of the necessities of his client. But so long as either only exacts fair remuneration for the risks and unpleasantnesses of the business he should be allowed to go on. I wonder if well-to-do people ever consider that the moneylender is the poor man's banker. The substantial joint stock establishment at the corner, at which all my respectable readers keep their accounts, is, of course, a thoroughly sound institution, and the dealings of the eminent manager and no less eminent board of directors are beyond suspicion. But they won't have anything to do with, with—well, with a lot of us. They want a first-class security, or perhaps two first-class securities, and they only do business on a large scale. The moneylender will take almost any risk, which is just the sort of security that unsuccessful human nature has to offer in large quantities. Of course fraud and sharp practice should be stamped out, but I feel certain that if the conditions of moneylending were interfered with the very class it is proposed to benefit, the needy and harassed, would suffer.

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This is supposed to be a humane age, and so it really is, yet none of the recognised institutions have thought it worth while so far to interfere in the events that are taking place round and about Cuba. It is to be wished that they would, for there is every reason to believe that if Spain and America go on for long in the way they are doing now someone will eventually get seriously hurt. Already there have been some marvellously closeshaves. A furious naval engagement was fought at Manila the other day, and though nothing was said about it in the cablegrams, I happen to know that an American sailor was seriously bruised when the action was at its height—someone rudely pushed him, I believe; but the matter has been hushed up. But, indeed, it has been apparent for some time past that the opponents were losing their tempers. It was only the other day that torpedoes and submarine mines were talked about in a very nasty manner, and though, of course, warships usually seem safer than otherwise when these things are about, there is no telling when one of these ingenious things might not go off. On the whole it would be better to end the business before any mischief is done. If the two fleets go manœuvring round each other much longer there is bound to be trouble.

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These are the days in which to spare a thought for the poor sailorman, with results to the funds of the Shipwrecked Mariners' Society. Jack before the mast has to put up with a great deal at the best of times—he is robbed ashore and bullied afloat, and all things considered, a life on the ocean wave is not the career an impartial observer with a knowledge of the facts would choose for a favourite dog. Still, many are found to pursue this calling. What a terrible thing it would be for some of us if a few callings became so distasteful that none would willingly follow them. Fancy a conscription that insisted some of us should be A.Bs. in a coasting vessel, and some bailiffs. However, that can never happen, and for my part, I thank my stars that society is ordered as it is, and when I see a drunken sailor being taken to the lockup because in a fit of alcoholic inspiration he has been attempting to reform things, I quite acquiesce in the justice of things as they are. However, this is a long digression, because at the beginning I merely wished to say that these exceptional times of stormy weather are particularly hard on the sailor. He is wrecked, and all his little, but to him priceless, belongings are swept away. His sea boots and oilskins are gone, his much-patched clothes with them, and the 10s he had in specie—saving for the good time on shore—are with the foundered ketch, or the broken-backed steamer, that was his home. This is the time to show a little real sympathy for the humble individual who has to make things snug aloft on nights when the gale is ranting through the crosstrees and we ourselves are snug in bed.

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We ought not to call it "sitting on a rail" in future. The Premier has shown us conclusively that there is no reason why a complaisant politician, tolerably well up in weight and years, should adopt that uncomfortable attitude. No; Mr. Reid does not sit on a rail, but at judicious intervals he takes up a position on either side of it, leans against it in an impartial attitude, and makes suitable remarks to those gathered in each division. When he is on the left side of the Federation rail he points out the weaknesses of the Constitution, the greed of the smaller States and other familiar weak points. Having done this, he just ducks down, slips under the rail, and addresses words of comfort and hope to the Federationists. It is a highly refreshing performance, and it shows that Mr. Reid has a thoroughly open mind, and is none of your bitter partisans who take up causes and go through with them at white heat. He is so soothing, too. Whichever way it goes on June 3, he points out, it will all come right in the end. Disunion and disruption and local hatreds are terrible things, and that is what separation signifies; still, if the people will not have Federation Mr. Reid will be as cheerful as ever. The fact that the people insist upon perpetuating a dangerous system won't discourage him, as it might more timid politicians. He seems to be in great sympathy with the views of Increase D. O'Phace, Esq., as reported by Mr. Biglow:—

I'm willin' a man should go tollable strong
Agin wrong in the abstract, fer thet kind o' wrong
Is ollers unpop'lar an' never gits pitied,
Because it's a crime no one never committed;
But he mus'n't be hard on partikler sins,
Coz then he'll be kickin' the people's own shins.

In another place the same rather unpleasantly sarcastic person observes:—

A marciful Providence fashioned us holler
O' purpose that we might our principles swaller;
It can hold any quantity on 'em, the belly-can,
An' bring 'em up ready fer use like the pelican,
Or more like the kangaroo, who (wich is stranger)
Puts her family into her pouch wen there's danger.

Really the racy gist of our poet and the local touch about the kangaroo make one almost think he had some aspects of Federation in his mind when he wrote.

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Quietly, but insidiously—just as all great changes come about—our social safety is being undermined, and we shall wake up one morning to find that we have lived in a fool's paradise too long. I hope, however, by drawing attention to one matter the anti-bilities may be induced to take up the case, and by showing the public the dangerous state of the times to arouse it to a sense of its duty. An order has been issued that citizens may attend the Birthday levee in morning dress, and it seems to me that this is a direct attempt to infringe the constitution, rob us of our liberties, and put back the hand of progress at least several centuries. Why, perhaps one day we shall read that the guests at a fashionable garden party, given on a sweltering hot day, dressed in duck suits and straw hats. I protest against this rage for rationalism; many of the absurdities of life have been swept away, and it therefore behoves us to jealously guard those that remain.

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The conduct of Piper Findlater, the hero of Dargai Heights, shows again that a man may be possessed of the very highest courage of one kind whilst, when a danger of another sort has to be faced, he may be quite deficient. Findlater, with both his ankles shot through, skirled his pipes (I believe the bagpipes should be "skirled," but if this is an incorrect expression the legion of Scotchmen who are always on the lookout to correct national misapprehensions will write in to say so); but he absolutely declines to face the marriage ceremony. Since he sat down on the Heights and got up again a hero he has been inundated by offers of marriage. Many conditions of the fair sex, whose hearts have been stirred by Findlater's gallant deeds, and who are feeling a little lonely just now, have written to him explaining how glad they would be to go into matrimony straight off. One applicant has £5000 a year, and is well-known in Indian society—and there are others who have good tempers and are thoroughly domesticated. But it has been found impossible to draw the canny Scotchman, and though the pay of a private in the Gordon Highlanders is not large, he seems inclined to live on its modest bounty rather than face the marriage ordeal.

A.B.C.

POLICE COURTS.

Refusing to Pay for Liquor.—Charles Williams was ordered to be imprisoned for 24 hours with hard labour by Mr. Edwards, S.M., at the Water Police Court yesterday, for having refused to pay the sum of 3d for liquor supplied to him by Charles De Sarta, licensee of the Duke of York Hotel, Oxford-street.

Stealing a Portmanteau.—James Withyman, 29 years of age, appeared before Mr. Edwards, S.M., at the Water Police Court yesterday, to answer a charge of having stolen a portmanteau, which with its contents was of the value of £1, the property of Elizabeth Archdeacon. Accused pleaded guilty, and as it was his first offence was mulcted in the sum of 20s, or in default 21 days' imprisonment.

Theft of Salt.—At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. F. W. Edwards, S.M., a young man named William George, employed as a carter, was charged with the theft of a bag of salt, the property of Mr. Thomas Dalton, trading as Dalton Brothers, merchants, Sydney. The accused was ordered to pay a penalty of 20s, in default 21 days' imprisonment.

Charges of Theft and Attempted Thefts.—Yesterday, at the Central Police Court, before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., a carpenter named Thomas Wilson, 44, was sentenced to three months' hard labour for stealing a bottle of cod liver oil, the property of Mr. Henry Arthur Rose, chemist, of George-street, Sydney. The accused that morning entered the front shop and took the bottle from the front counter in the temporary absence of the assistant chemist, who subsequently caught the accused and handed him over to the custody of Constable William Jackson. On a further charge of having a handsaw in his possession reasonably supposed to have been stolen, he was sentenced to one month's hard labour. George Wilson, 35, a labourer, for attempting to steal a macintosh cape, valued at £1 6s, the property of Ernest D. Pousford, 678 George-street, Sydney, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour. Patrick O'Dare, 30, a seaman, was charged with stealing two seamen's bags, containing a quantity of clothes, boots, oilskins, and sundries, valued at £8, the property of James Ross. The accused was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions on May 26, 1898. John Seymour, 32, was also committed for trial upon a charge of stealing from the dwelling of Elizabeth Brody a silver watch and chain and 4s 9d in silver, the property of Patrick Higgins. James Williams, 29, a labourer, was also charged with the robbery of a purse, containing £2 6s 9d, the property of Thomas B. Windham, and after considerable evidence had been taken the accused was committed for trial to the Quarter Sessions.

Prosecution Under the Printing Act.—Yesterday in the Summons Division of the Central Police Court, before Mr. F. S. Isaacs, S.M., a man named Michael Austin Cleary was proceeded against for having, as the printer of the "North Sydney Recorder," unlawfully omitted to have his name printed and the place of abode on the said newspaper. The defendant, after having pleaded guilty, explained to the Bench that the omission was through a mechanical disability. Some of the inking rollers, it appeared, had lifted the type from the forme in such a way that it failed to make the desired impression. The magistrate inflicted the lowest penalty, £5, with costs, levy and distress, or in default one month's imprisonment. Mr. Wiltshire, of the Crown Law Department, who conducted the prosecution for the Crown, said as the penalty already inflicted was heavy, he would not proceed with several other informations that had been laid, and they therefore would be withdrawn. He suggested that if application were made to the Minister for Justice a remission of the fine might be made under the circumstances.

Prosecution under the Factories and Shops Act.—Yesterday, in the Summons Division of the Central Police Court, before Mr. F. S. Isaacs, S.M., Frank Booth was proceeded against as the occupier of a factory in York-street, Sydney, with having unlawfully employed Mabel Vickery, Emma Sutton, Ethel Crockford, and Polly Johnson continuously for more than five hours without an interval of at least half-an-hour for a meal. After the defendant had pleaded guilty he urged, in extenuation, that he had given instructions that the girls were not to be allowed to work longer than the authorised time, but the girls said they would rather work on during the meal hour, as they were then enabled to get home to a hot dinner. The girls, when called, endorsed these statements, but the magistrate ruled that it did not detract from the offence, as the girls should not work longer than the statutory period. Under the circumstances, however, he inflicted the minimum penalty of 5s, with 7s 6d costs, in each of the cases.

A Seaman of the Hereward Robbed.—Yesterday at the Central Police Court, before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., a seaman named James Lawrence, aged 40, was charged with the robbery of £3 16s from Patrick Ryan. Both the men belonged to the ship Hereward that recently went ashore on Maroubra beach. The prosecutor showed that he and his shipmate were in each other's company the previous day, and later they proceeded together down to the Newcastle and Hunter River Company's Wharf at the foot of Market-street. Ryan laid down on a coop and went to sleep, and upon awakening missed the money from his pockets. The night watchman in his evidence stated that he saw the accused place his hands in the prosecutor's pockets and take the money. A sentence was imposed of one month's imprisonment, with hard labour.

Assault upon a Woman.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday before Mr. Addison, S.M., William Hunter was charged with having on April 30, at Mortdale, assaulted Edith Florence Candy, by kicking her. The defendant pleaded guilty, and was ordered to pay a fine of £1, in default 21 days gaol.

Jumping Upon a Tram in Motion.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday a youth named George Richards, for having jumped upon a tram car whilst the same was in motion, was ordered to pay a fine of 10s and 4s 10d costs of court, in default three days gaol.

Assault.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Addison, S.M., John Cotter, charged with having on the 9th instant assaulted Arthur Wilder, was fined £2, together with 21s professional costs, 21s medical fees, and 6s 8d costs of court, in default two months' imprisonment.

Cruelty to Horses.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Addison, S.M., Joseph W. Pellit, for having ill-treated a horse, was fined £1, in default seven days' gaol. Joseph Bull was fined £1 for a similar offence. E. Mole, charged with having caused a horse, his property, to be worked in an unfit state, was fined £1, together with 10s 6d costs, in default 14 days' gaol; and the driver, P. O. O'Donnell, was fined £1 and 21s costs, in default 14 days' gaol.

Illegal Use of a Workman's Railway Pass.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Addison, S.M., Inspector Davies, of the Railway Department, proceeded against Mark Burns for having, on the 31st March last, travelled in a railway carriage without having previously paid his fare, and with intent to avoid the payment thereof. The defendant holds a workman's weekly ticket, upon which it was alleged he had travelled more than once each way, on March 31, between the stations named on the ticket. Defendant, who is a fish hawker, denied the statement that he had travelled more than once each way that day on his workman's pass. He was ordered to pay a fine of £2 and 4s 10d costs of court. He was allowed eight days in which to find the money.

Theft of Harness.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Addison, S.M., William O'Connor, aged 18, charged with having stolen a quantity of buggy harness of the value of £3, the property of Edwin J. Barker, at Marrickville, was ordered to be imprisoned, with hard labour, for one month in Parramatta gaol.

GOOD TEMPLARS.

The weekly meeting of the Herald of Peace Lodge, No. 68 I.O.G.T., was held on Thursday evening in the lodgeroom, the Congregational school-hall, Point Piper-road, Woollahra. The principal business for the evening was the installation of the officers for the ensuing quarter, who were elected at the previous meeting. The lodge deputy, Bro. Cox, installed the officers as follows:—Chief templar, Bro. A. G. Morton; vice-templar, Sister E. Bonfield; superintendent of Juvenile Temple, Sister A. Morton; secretary, Sister I. Bonfield; assistant secretary, Sister F. Parkins; financial secretary, Sister E. Setright; treasurer, Sister F. M. Finch; chaplain, Sister A. Woodham; marshal, Bro. H. Parkins; deputy marshal, Sister S. M'Donald; guard, Bro. J. Woodham; sentinel, Bro. W. Harvey; past chief templar, Bro. H. C. West; pianist, Sister Setright. Bro. Rufford has been recommended as district deputy, and Bro. A. G. Morton as lodge electoral deputy, for the ensuing 12 months.

SOCIAL.

Lady Hampden, accompanied by Miss De Hoghton, paid a visit to the University on Thursday afternoon, and presided over a meeting of the University Women's Society.

The Governor and Lady Hampden gave a dinner party at Government House on Wednesday evening.

Lord and Lady Ranfurly, attended by Captain Alexander and the Hon. C. Hill Trevor, left Sydney for New Zealand on Thursday afternoon by the Monowai. A party from Government House went down to the steamer to take leave of the distinguished visitors.

Captain and the Hon. Mrs. Ferguson left Sydney by the R.M.S. Moana on Monday afternoon. The Hons. Alice and Dorothy Brand, the Hon. Robert Brand, Miss De Hoghton, and a large number of friends went down to the steamer to wish them "bon voyage," and Mrs. Ferguson was the recipient of many baskets of flowers. Captain Ferguson was presented with souvenirs from the officers and from the non-commissioned officers and men of the regiment of Australian Horse previous to his departure.

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Burdekin and Mrs. Prendergast were the hostesses at the Victoria Club and entertained a large number of friends, including the Misses Darley, Mrs. Edmund Barton, Mrs. and Miss Mackenzie, Lady Macleay, the Misses French, Mrs. Arthur Macarthur, Mrs. Hunt, Miss Marks, Mrs. P. H. Morton, Mrs. and Miss Newbiggan (Melbourne), Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Miss Jackson, Miss Clara Manning, Mrs. MacHardie, Mrs. H. E. Cohen, Mrs. Trueman, Miss Fitzgerald, the Misses Martin, and many others. An enjoyable programme of music and singing had been arranged, to which Miss Alexander and Miss Fletcher contributed some songs, Miss Jessie Middleton played twice, and Mr. Stevenson played a nocturne on the violin, composed and accompanied by Mr. Trueman. Afternoon tea was served in the dining-room.

The Hon. A. J. Gould and Mrs. Gould gave a farewell dinner party to Major and the Hon. Mrs. Ferguson at the Australia Hotel on Thursday, May 5. The following guests were entertained:—Major and the Hon. Mrs. Ferguson, the Right Hon. G. H. Reid, the Hon. H. C. Dangar and Mrs. Dangar, Major-General French and Mrs. and Miss French, the Hon Alice and the Hon. Dorothy Brand, Professor and Mrs. Anderson Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Deas-Thomson, Miss Gould, Captain Sloane Stanley, Captain Feilden, Mr. J. Millar, and Mr. R. Garran.

The concert given in aid of St. Bernard's Home at the Oddfellows' Hall on Tuesday afternoon was a great success, and despite the inclemency of the weather was largely attended. Amongst those present were Lady Hampden, the Hon. Alice Brand, the Archbishop of Sydney, Miss Snowdon Smith, Mrs. Pearson, the Misses Saumarez Smith, the Mayoress of Sydney, Lady Macleay, Mrs. W R. Campbell, Mrs. Dangar, Mrs. Lamb, Mrs. and Miss MacLean, Miss Campbell, Mrs. J. Ranken, the Misses Dibbs, Mrs. H. Morris, the Misses Airey, Mrs. Mathias, Miss Roberts, Miss French, Miss Eddy, &c. Afternoon tea was handed round by a number of young ladies dressed in white with red ties and red waistbands, and a quantity of home-made sweets were sold for the benefit of the home. The musical programme, which was under the direction of Miss Woolley, has already been noticed in our columns.

The members of the Sydney University Sports' Union are making great preparations for their ball. The ball is under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Hampden, Major-General and Mrs. French, the Hon. Dr. MacLaurin (Chancellor of the University) and Mrs. MacLaurin, and his Honor Mr. Justice Backhouse and Mrs. Backhouse, &c. An influential committee has been formed, and all particulars of the ball will be found in another column.

A few friends were entertained by Miss Sinclair on Tuesday, 10th, at Allora, tearoom, among whom were Mrs. M'Lachlan, Miss Lashley, Mr. Conroy, Mr. E. Palmer, Mrs. Sefton, Mrs. Lawford, Mr. E. Green, Mr. Peel, Rev. George and Mrs. Walters, Mr. and Miss Knaggs, Mr. Hamilton, and Mr. J. Dean.

On Wednesday, April 27, a wedding took place at Christ Church, Lavender Bay, when Miss Marion Day, daughter of Mr. Asher Day, of the Observatory, North Sydney, was married to Mr. Thomas Paige, second son of Mr. John F. Paige, of Annandale. The decorations in the church were much admired, and were undertaken by friends of the bride. An arch was formed entirely of white chrysanthemums, with a floral bell suspended from the centre. White ribbon bows were placed on each pew set apart for the guests. The Rev. A. Yarnold officiated, the service being choral. The bride, who entered the church with her father, was preceded by her six bridesmaids—the Misses Hilda and Enid Day, the Misses Lilian and Effie Day, Miss Lines, and Miss Lucy Paige. They were dressed alike in white silk trimmed with chiffon; white straw hats with pink roses, chiffon, and white ribbon; and wore pearl swallow brooches. They carried large shepherd's crooks decorated with white chrysanthemums and white ribbon, and when they reached the chancel steps they linked their crooks and formed an arch for the bride to pass beneath—a pretty and novel idea. The bride wore a dress of ivory silk with long court train, the bodice trimmed with pearl passementerie and chiffon, white tulle veil, and carried a shower bouquet of white flowers. Amongst the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Cresswell, Mr. and Mrs. Wolseley, Mr. and Mrs. Paige, the Misses Paige, Mr. W. Paige, Miss B. Walker, Mr. Mrs. and the Misses Dalgarno, Mr. and Mrs. Catterall, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Day, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tucker, Miss Stockfold, &c. At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's parents, at which about 100 guests were present, and the newly-married couple received the congratulations and good wishes of their friends. Refreshments were served in the dining-room, which was decorated with Virginian creeper and white flowers. A large wedding bell hung over the centre of the table, and white ribbons were carried from the chandelier and fastened at each corner of the table. During the afternoon the wedding party were photographed on the lawn. The bride was the recipient of many handsome and costly presents numbering over 100. Mr. and Mrs. Paige on leaving the house for their wedding tour were showered with rose leaves and confetti. The bride's travelling dress was a tailor-made coat and skirt of cloth, with pale-blue vest, black hat, with plaid ribbon and coques' feathers.

A wedding was solemnised on Thursday, April 28, at St. Stephen's Church, Bylong, between Miss Violet Kate Tindale, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Tindale, of Bylong station, and Mr. J. King Lethbridge, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Lethbridge, Tregeare, St. Marys, the Rev. T. Winter officiating. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of white China lawn, trimmed with torchon lace and insertion, a handsome white satin sash, and long tulle veil arranged back from the face. Her two sisters, Miss Lilian and Miss Leila Tindale, were bridesmaids, and both were old rose epingle dresses trimmed with pink silk and narrow black velvet; shot straw hats trimmed with green and pink and pink quills. Mrs. Tindale, the bride's mother, wore a gown of olive green cashmere with white chiffon vest, black chiffon hat with pink roses. The bridegroom, who is a great-grandson of the late Governor King, was supported by Mr. Merson Tindale as best man. After the ceremony the wedding party drove to Torrie Lodge, where the dejeuner was held. Later Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Lethbridge, jun., left for the mountains, the bride's travelling dress being a navy blue cloth coat and skirt, white sailor hat. Amongst the invited guests were—Mr. and Mrs. W. Tindale, Mr. and Mrs. R. Irving (Tenandra station), Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Lethbridge, the Misses Lethbridge, Mr. W. Lethbridge, Mr. P. Lethbridge, the Hon. John and Mrs. Lee (Bathurst), Mr. Alfred Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dare, Mr. and Mrs. Cope Lethbridge, Mrs. and Miss Swanson, Mr. J. W. H. Swanson, Mr. Humphrey Swanson, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter White, Mr. and Mrs. C. Cowper, Mrs. W. Read, Mr. Cecil Read, Rev. T. and Mrs. Winter, Mrs. Icely, Mr. Vero Read, &c.

The committee of the Fresh Air League ball held a meeting at the Town Hall yesterday. The Mayoress was in the chair, and there were present Mesdames Thompson, Jewell, Curtiss, Powell, Imray, Mashwitz, Scouller, de Montemas, Woods, Dehu, Brennan, Caro, Miss Macarthy, Mrs. Richards and Mrs. Cohen (hon. treasurers), Mrs. Hamilton-Marshall (hon. secretary), and others. It was reported that the ball will be under vice-regal patronage. From statements made to the committee there is a prospect of the ball being a complete success.

The ball committee in connection with the Working and Factory Girls' Club met on Monday at the Town Hall. There were present the Mayoress (in the chair), Mrs. Broomfield (hon. treasurer), Mrs. Brady, Mrs. Wigley Severne, Mrs. Guy Warren (hon. secretaries), Miss Neville Griffiths and Miss Edwards (hon. corresponding secretaries), Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Holdship, Mrs. F. Bacou, Mrs. Cartwright Ash, Mrs. Beckitt, Miss Gilles, Miss L. Rundell, Miss Watson, Miss Cecil Griffiths, and Miss M'Hardy. It was stated that all arrangements were progressing satisfactorily. Help both in kind and in money had been given by leading merchants and firms, and the ball, which will be under the patronage and in the presence of the Vice-regal party, the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Darley, his Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief and Mrs. Pearson, Major-General and Mrs. French, the Mayor and Mrs. Harris, promises to be a success. Reports were made as to the progress of the arrangements, and decisions were arrived at as to the mode of carrying out the competitions that will be held in connection with the ball.

On Friday last, despite the unpropitious weather, a fair number attended the May dance held in the Masonic Hall, Rockdale. Among the ladies present were—Miss Bushell, Miss Larnache, Miss Violet Larnache, Miss Smith, Miss Nellie Smith, Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Carson, Miss Hughes, Miss Bertha Skinner, Miss Pearson, Mrs Gibbons, Miss Lowe, Miss Daisy Lowe, Mrs. Nicholson, Miss Reardon, Miss F. Gould, Miss Bestringa, Mrs. Sykes.

The Board of Health return of diseased animals and meat condemned during March contains the following summary of condemnations for the month:—Bullocks: Glebe Island Abattoir, 142 (or 2·87 per cent.); Flemington, 11; elsewhere, 76—total, 229. Bulls, 8. Cows: Abattoir, 54 (or 3·1 per cent.); Flemington, 1; elsewhere, 66—total, 121. Calves: Elsewhere, 7. Pigs: Abattoir, 144 (or 3·46 per cent.); elsewhere, 45—total, 189. Sheep: Abattoir, 23 (out of 103,937, or ·02 per cent.); elsewhere, 576 (including 459 for want of condition)—total, 189. German sausage, 2cwt.; 1 quarters of beef, 2. Totals: Abattoir, 371; Flemington, 12; elsewhere, 774. Sum total, 1157.

"A splendid display," "That's the place for good work," is heard as buyers come from C. H. WALTHER and CO.'S Saddlery Warehouse, 24a Hunter-street. They are leading in quality and in price. One of their Sterling Silver-mounted Whips forms a splendid present for either a lady or gentleman. Repairs done on the premises.—Advt.

LAW REPORT.

FRIDAY, MAY 13.

BANCO COURT.

(Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Stephen, and Mr. Justice Cohen.)

A DISPUTE WITH THE SYDNEY PRESBYTERY.

Hay v. M'Innes.

Mr. Teece, instructed by Mr. H. Dawson, appeared for the appellant, the complainant in the Court below; and Mr. Garland, instructed by Messrs. Aitken and Aitken, for the defendant. This was an appeal by the Rev. George Hay from the determination of Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, S.M., in a proceeding before him at the Newtown Police Court, where appellant was the complainant and the Rev. George M'Innes, secretary of the presbytery of Sydney, was the defendant. It appeared that the appellant proceeded against the Rev. Mr. M'Innes in his official capacity upon a summons charging that the defendant did, after due demand, detain without just cause one certificate from the presbytery of New England, the property of the complainant, and of the value of under £20. After hearing evidence the magistrate said it did not appear to him that the certificate had been detained without just cause in accordance with the Act 19 Vic., No. 24. He therefore dismissed the application, and the question was whether the determination of the magistrate was erroneous in point of law.

Mr. Teece said that the question was whether a custom of the Church, which was not shown to have been recognised in a single instance, was to override the common law right of a man to his property.

The Chief Justice said that the question was a pure matter of fact. The complainant said that the document belonged to him, and defendant said that a document of the kind when lodged with the presbytery became the property of that body. That was a question of fact; and the magistrate found that complainant had not made out his case, and dismissed the application.

Mr. Justice Stephen said that if there was such a custom as was pointed out in the evidence the complainant was supposed to know about it.

Mr. Teece said there was not a shred of evidence to show that the Rev. Mr. Hay ever heard of such a custom or law of the presbytery.

Mr. Justice Stephen said the question was under what circumstances the Rev. Mr. M'Innes took the certificate. If he took it in accordance with a well-known law of the Church that was not a custom overriding the law.

Mr. Teece: There was no evidence that he knew it. He says that in the whole of his experience he did not know a single instance in which the custom had been followed. He (Mr. Teece) admitted that if Mr. Hay knew of the custom it must be taken that he deposited the document subject to the custom; but until it was proved that he knew of it he could not be taken to be bound by a custom which he did not know to exist.

Mr. Justice Stephen: I do not see how you can argue that he did not know of it. He is a member of the Church, and is bound to know the custom.

Mr. Teece said that the custom was not shown to be in existence. It was not sufficient evidence of the custom of the Church merely to state that there was such a custom; and here there was no evidence that such a custom had been followed if it ever existed.

The Chief Justice: Perhaps as a matter of grace it has not been followed. Suppose some person had a commission from her Majesty to carry out certain duties. He was permitted to resign after performing the duties, and was bound to return his commission, which no longer belonged to him; but in many cases, as a matter of grace and favour, her Majesty allowed the commission to be retained, though the work had been done.

Mr. Teece said that when a document was given to a man, whatever right there might be in the contents of the document the property in the paper itself was in the person to whom it was given, and he could sue for the return of the document.

Mr. Garland was not called upon to reply.

The Chief Justice said the case was quite clear and not open to any serious argument. It appeared that the Rev. Mr. Hay had officiated as a clergyman of the district of Walcha and had obtained from the proper authorities there a certificate couched in laudatory terms and setting out that he had been a good organiser in the district and was an able preacher. This certificate he afterwards handed over to the Rev. Mr. MacInnes as clerk of the Presbytery of Sydney, and he (his Honor) hoped that the Presbytery would see fit, as a matter of favour and grace, to hand the certificate to the complainant. He had no doubt that if he applied to them properly they would do so. When the case came on for hearing the Rev. Mr. Hay said he was a minister of the Church at Walcha and that his certificate as such minister was wrongfully detained by the Presbytery. The Rev. Mr. MacInnes was then called, and said "Yes, it is perfectly true that the certificate was handed to me by the complainant, but the custom of the Church is that such documents should be considered the property of the Presbytery. In other words, it was a domestic law of the Church, with which the Court had no concern whatever. That the Court had already decided in a case which came before it some time ago. According to the law of this Church the custom was not to give up these documents. Then, the Rev. Mr. Auld, who was at the time Moderator of the Presbyterian Church, was examined, and he said: "When a person presents himself to the Presbytery for admission as a minister within the bounds and laws of the Presbytery he presents the Presbyterial certificate from his last Presbytery. If such certificate is admitted and sustained the property undoubtedly became the property of the Presbytery according to the practice of the Presbytery. When such minister, if in full status, is about to go without the bounds he was presented with a certificate from the Presbytery. If his prior certificate was laudatory and the applicant moved the Presbytery for possession of such document such Presbytery might give it up as an act of grace. The applicant had no property in it. If applicant was not of good standing the Presbytery would certainly not give up the document. It is a communication from one Presbytery to another merely, and the second Presbytery alone has property in the document. It is not addressed to any particular Presbytery, but becomes the property of the Presbytery before whom it is used. Any application for the document would be made to the Presbytery. Complainant has made no such application. I know of no written rule allowing of the retention of these documents. I know of no case of refusal to give up such documents, for the simple reason that there are so few applications." The magistrate had these statements before him, and had decided against the complainant as to a matter of fact on the conflicting evidence. Under these circumstances the Court could do nothing, seeing that there was no law point raised which would enable the Court to say whether the magistrate was wrong or not.

Mr. Justice Stephen concurred.

Mr. Justice Cohen said he also concurred, and he only wished to say that when the matter was before him in Public Chambers in February last he took the same view as the Chief Justice, namely, that it was a matter concerning the internal discipline of the Presbyterian Church. As, however, it was a matter of some importance, he thought it better to refer it to the Full Court in order that a more authoritative decision than that of a single Judge might be given.

The Chief Justice: Then our answer to the special case is that the magistrate's determination was not erroneous in point of law. Do you ask for costs, Mr. Garland?

Mr. Garland: No; we will not ask for costs.

Appeal dismissed.

ACTION FOR DEBENTURES.

National Bank of Australasia, Limited, v. the Stock-owners' Meat Company of New South Wales, Limited.

Mr. Rolin, instructed by Messrs. Villeneuve-Smith and Dawes, appeared for the plaintiffs in support of a demurrer to the defendants' plea. There was no appearance on the part of the defendant company. The action is one brought by the plaintiffs to recover the sum of £2500 due on debentures made by the defendants in the name of the Graziers' Meat Export Company of New South Wales, Limited, on the plaintiff bank. There were 50 counts in the plaintiffs' declaration, each for a debenture of £50; and the defendants pleaded that it was a provision of the trust deed under which the debentures were issued that a general meeting of the holders of the debentures should have power by extraordinary resolution to sanction any modification or compromise of the rights of the holders against the Graziers' Meat Export Company of New South Wales, Limited, whether such rights should arise under the debentures or otherwise, and also to sanction any agreement for postponing the time for payment of the principal moneys and interest secured by the debentures, and by the trust deed it was further provided that an extraordinary resolution passed at a general meeting of the debenture-holders should be binding on all the debenture-holders whether present or not at such meeting, and each of the debenture-holders should be bound to give effect thereto accordingly; and defendants said that after the last pleading in the action a general meeting of the debenture-holders resolved that the payment of the principal and interest then due in respect of the debentures issued by defendants be postponed till June 30, 1898, and that the payment of interest and other money accruing due between the date of the resolution and June 30 should be postponed until the said date, and that no proceedings should be taken against the defendants in respect of the debentures and interest until June 30, 1898, and that any such proceedings already commenced should be stayed until that date. This plea was demurred to by the plaintiffs on the grounds (1) that the plea confesses the plaintiffs' cause of action, and does not show any sufficient answer in law thereto; (2) that the other debenture-holders could not extinguish or affect by resolutions the plaintiffs' vested cause of action, more especially after action brought; (3) that the legal effect of the resolution was not to interfere with or suspend the plaintiffs' cause of action; (4) that the power to sanction an agreement for postponing the time of payment could not be lawfully exercised by resolution only, and the plea does not show that any lawful agreement for postponing the time of payment has been made and sanctioned; (5) that the plea does not answer the costs of the action, and does not except them from the operation of the plea.

The Court gave judgment for the plaintiffs on the demurrer.

CLAIM UNDER THE PUBLIC SERVICE ACT.

Russell v. Reid.

Mr. Garland and Mr. Russell, instructed by Mr. C. T. Russell, appeared for the plaintiff in support of a demurrer to the defendant's plea. Sir Julian Salomons, Q.C., and Mr. Pring, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, appeared for the defendant in support of the plea. The plaintiff, Charles Townsend Russell, solicitor, in his declaration sued the Hon. George Houston Reid (as nominal defendant) to recover money paid on account of the Superannuation Fund, and for a gratuity under the 62nd section of the Public Service Act of 1895. The plaintiff, before the commencement of the Public Service Act of 1895, was a clerk in the office of the Crown Solicitor, and was a contributor to the superannuation account under the Civil Service Act of 1884. On October 1, 1895, or within 12 months after the commencement of the Public Service Act of 1895, he elected to discontinue contribution to the account. On October 31, 1897, he retired from the Public Service for a cause other than an offence, and he claimed by virtue of the Civil Service Act of 1884 and the Public Service Act of 1895 to be entitled to a refund of the sums paid by him to the superannuation account, with interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum, and also a further sum by way of gratuity of one month's pay for each year of his service, calculated at the average rate of his salary during the whole time of his service from the date of his appointment to the date of the commencement of the Public Service Act of 1895; and a further sum by way of gratuity at the rate of one fortnight's pay in respect of each year of temporary service. To this declaration the defendant pleaded that the retirement of the plaintiff from the service was not a retirement or removal within the meaning of the Public Service Act, but was the plaintiff's voluntary act by resigning his office and voluntarily retiring from the service, and not otherwise. To this plea the plaintiff demurred on the grounds—(1) that no voluntary retirement was a retirement within the meaning of the Act; (2) that the plea disclosed no reason good in law why the payment of the amount should be withheld.

After argument,

The Chief Justice said that the matter was by no means free from difficulty, but on the best construction he could give to the Act, and after paying every attention to the very clear arguments on both sides, he had come to the conclusion that judgment must be entered for the defendant upon the plea demurred to. The Act of Parliament was by no means clear in its provisions with respect to the Superannuation Fund, but he gathered from the whole of Part 5 that the policy of the Legislature was as far as possible to get rid of this scheme of the Superannuation Fund. The first portion of section 59 provided that "no person who shall, after the commencement of this Act, enter or become employed in any department of the Public Service to which this Act applies, or who shall not at the commencement of this Act be a contributor to the superannuation account under the provisions of the Civil Service Act of 1884 shall be allowed to become a contributor to or to acquire any right to any payment by way of pension, annual superannuation, retiring allowance, or gratuity out of such superannuation account." Then the latter part of the section provided: "Nor shall any person to whom this Act applies, except in the next succeeding section provided, receive out of the consolidated revenue of the colony any payment by way of pension, annual superannuation, retiring allowance, or gratuity either directly or indirectly." The 60th section provided that if the services of any person permanently employed in the Public Service shall be dispensed with by the board under the provisions of this Act otherwise than for an offence then he should be entitled to receive an allowance from the superannuation fund if he was a contributor to the fund, and also a certain gratuity, and to a certain gratuity if he should not have been a contributor to the fund. Section 62 stood by itself, and upon the best construction he could put upon it, it appeared to him that the retirement mentioned in the section must be a dispensation within the meaning of section 60 with the services of public servants. That might be brought about in consequence of the abolition of the office which a public servant had been filling, as in the case of Adams v. Young, or it might arise from causes provided for in section 56, which enacted: "If any officer in the Public Service be at any time found to be unfit to discharge or incapable of discharging the duties of his office, and such unfitness or incapacity appears likely to be of a permanent character, and has not arisen from actual misconduct on the part of such officer, or from causes within his own control, the Governor may, on the recommendation of the board, cause the retirement of such officer, and may direct that compensation be granted to him in terms of section 60 hereof." It was, therefore, from some cause outside misconduct of the officer himself or from cause within his own control. In section 62 he found the same words used, and therefore he apprehended that the retirement must be from some cause outside the officer himself. It could not be said that an officer who had voluntarily resigned his office had retired for any cause mentioned in the section. It had been suggested that one cause for retirement might be that the officer had been left a large sum of money and desired for that reason to resign his office, but that was not a case contemplated by the Legislature. It must refer to causes such as unfitness, incapacity, or abolition of the office. These were all causes which would require the retirement of the officer. The policy of the Legislature in passing the Act clearly being to get rid of the superannuation fund as not working satisfactorily, section 63 provided for a scheme no doubt equivalent to superannuation, but still a different scheme, and one which, as it appeared to the Legislature, would work much more beneficially to the Civil Service. Mr. Garland had argued that resignation was equivalent to retirement, but the retirement must be for some cause, and that cause must be something outside the officer himself, as provided in the 60th section, and must be a dispensing with the officer's services by the Civil Service Board, and there being no offence for which he had been dismissed he was entitled to a refund from the superannuation fund, and was also entitled to claim a gratuity under sub-section 2 of section 60. One could scarcely estimate the amount of danger and real disaster which might be brought upon the fund if the Court were to hold that immediately a clerk in the Public Service gave notice after the Act came into force of his intention to discontinue his contributions he could resign his office next day and make a claim. If that could be done by one person it might be done by a large number, and the fund would soon become insolvent. That was never intended by the Legislature, and that was shown by the provisions of the 12th section of the Act. He was therefore of opinion that an officer who elected to resign—there being no question as to his salary being reduced, as provided by section 12—and whose resignation was accepted, did not come within the meaning of the 62nd section of the Act, as he was not an officer who had retired from any cause within the meaning of that section. Judgment on the demurrer must therefore pass for the defendant.

Mr. Justice Stephen said he concurred. He could not get over the words "or any cause other than an offence." Mr. Garland wished the Court to read the section as if it contained the words "who shall retire from the Public Service unless dismissed for an offence." The section could not be read in that way. It was something outside any motive which might induce a public officer to retire.

Mr. Justice Cohen said he was of the same opinion. If they were to adopt the construction which Mr. Garland invited the Court to adopt it would lead to such an absurdity that one's mind naturally rebelled against it.

Judgment on the demurrer for the defendant.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Manning.)

ENGLAND v. ENGLAND AND OTHERS.

In this suit Theophilus England and Thomas Hilliard England, trustees under the will of the late John England, of The Terraces, Brown-street, Paddington, were plaintiffs, and the Rev. E. Moore, secretary of the Sydney City Mission, and the Rev. F. J. Rudd, president of the New South Wales Wesleyan Conference, and Sarah Lydia England the defendants. Mr. Gregory Walker, Q.C., and Mr. Lingen, instructed by Mr. T. H. England, appeared for the plaintiffs; Mr. Gordon, instructed by Mr. A. Weaver, for the defendant Sarah Lydia England; and Mr. Langer Owen for the Rev. E. Moore. The Court was asked to decide whether or not a legacy of £2000 bequeathed to the City Mission and the Wesleyan Conference should be declared void or to have failed owing to the fund from which it was to have been paid. The testator directed that the legacies should be paid out of his personal estate, and to be held upon trusts "hereinafter declared." The declaration of the trusts was, however, omitted in the drafting of the will, and apart from that the personalty upon which the legacies were charged had been absorbed by the payment of debts, funeral and testamentary expenses. His Honor decreed in terms of the prayer, declaring the legacy void, and that the defendant Sarah Lydia England was entitled to a third of the residuary estate absolutely, and by consent the trustees were authorised to pay £30 arrears of annuity to the City Mission, such sum not to be charged upon the real estate.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson.)

JUDGMENT RE THE DUDLEY COAL COMPANY.

Judgment was delivered in the matter of the application made by a shareholder for an order directing the removal of W. G. Macpherson and John Woods as liquidators of the Dudley Coal Company and the appointment of Frederick Smith in their place. It will be remembered that the business of the company was purchased for 50,000 fully paid-up shares, the agreement for the sale of the property being signed by two of the directors. It was contended that the agreement was not binding on the company, as the two directors had no authority to affix the company's seal, that the liquidators ought accordingly to have made the vendors liable on their 50,000 shares as unpaid. Affidavits had been made stating that at time of signing the agreement the directors had not had allotted to them the requisite number of shares to qualify them to act on behalf of the company. The Court was asked to decide whether the shares were paid up in law or the agreement was properly signed. His Honor decided that the obligation to hold 1000 shares could not be imposed on the directors as a condition precedent. It must have meant that they agreed to acquire such shares within a reasonable time. No objection was ever taken to the qualification of any director, and he was of opinion that the requisite shares were acquired within a reasonable time. Two directors had been authorised to sign the agreement referred to, and therefore the seal of the company was validly affixed. He decided that the application was premature, and dismissed it with costs against the applicant. At the same time he would allow any reasonable time in which the applicant, if he so desired, could make further inquiries, and at the end of that time if no further extension were granted the application would stand dismissed with costs.

A DISPUTED WILL.

Hudson and another v. Mason.

This was a suit brought by Edwin Robert Hudson and Thomas Alfred Inglis Braye against John Mason to test the validity of the will of the late John Mason. The particulars of the claim have already been stated.

Further evidence was being taken when the case suddenly collapsed owing to the defence being abandoned. Probate was granted.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar.)

SINGLE MEETING.

Tom Colston Coggan. Bankrupt was sworn and examined, after which an adjournment was made until the 18th instant.

CERTIFICATE APPLICATION.

Re James Dalby. The Registrar refused the certificate on the following grounds:—(1) That the bankrupt failed to keep proper books, in this case a most serious offence; (2) he continued to trade knowing himself to be insolvent; (3) he contracted debts provable without reasonable grounds of expectation to pay; (4) he was twice bankrupt before, in the first case paying a dividend of 1s 1 1-3d on debts £3239, when his certificate was suspended for six months, and in the second case paying no dividend at all, the certificate being again suspended; (5) his conduct at his examination under section 30; (6) his conduct in not handing over to the official assignee when required to do so his books and cheque butts. He never took stock to find out what his financial position might be.

ADJOURNED CASES.

The following creditors' petitions were adjourned:—J. R. Love and Co. v. William Allen O'Neill, trading as O'Neill and Co., to the 17th instant; Original Mont de Piete Company, Limited, v. R. C. Graim, to the 16th instant; and John Whitehead v. Jabez Brown, to the 27th instant.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Alfred Nickson, of Bodalla, farm labourer. Mr. Lloyd, official assignee.

Henry Joseph Dennett, Brookstown, Wallsend, labourer. Mr. Giblin, official assignee.

Alfred Denison Campbell, Peel-street, Tamworth, tobacconist. Mr. Lloyd, official assignee.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Monday, May 16.

Term List.—Divorce Appeals: Jones v. Jones (Higgins co-respondent), same v. same. Smith v. Smith, Baldwin v. Baldwin (Heat co-respondent). Motion: In re George Albert Higgins, ex parte Alfred Richard Jones, attachment for contempt (part heard).

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge.—At 11 a.m.: Turpin v. Simper, part heard.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before his Honor Mr. Justice Simpson.—Monday, May 16.—At 10: Motions for probate and administration, motions for power of sale, motions to pass accounts and commission, miscellaneous motions. At 2: Sutton v. Sutton. Before the Registrar.—To proceed on accounts in the following:—At 11: John Barker, John R. Dight, Robert R. Dight, John M'Millan.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar.—At 11 a.m., hearing of creditors' petitions: George Charles Thompson v. Reginald Coysgarne Grain, Richard Bennetts v. W. M. Serviss; re John Ewing Serviss, examination under section 30. Before the Chief Clerk.—Taxation of costs—At 2.10 p.m.: Re T. W. Smith, official assignee's costs. At 2.20 p.m.: Re Moore, petitioning creditor's costs.

DISTRICT COURT.—Monday, May 16.

(Before his Honor Judge Rogers, at 10 a.m.)

Causes.—Fulford v. Law and others, Anderson v. Barrett, Conheady v. O'Shaughnessy.

Before the Registrar, in No. 2 Court.—Taxations of costs: Daily Shipping News Company, Limited, v. Bayley, 10.30 a.m.; Walsh v. Guerin, 10.35 a.m.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

A HIGHLY SATISFACTORY REPORT.

ADDRESSES BY LOCAL MANAGERS.

The forty-ninth annual general meeting of the members of the Australian Mutual Provident Society was held at the Y.M.C.A. yesterday afternoon. Sir Joseph Abbott presided. Amongst those present were Messrs. James R. Hill, Joseph Abbott, Thomas Littlejohn, A. W. Meeks, B. Short, J. T. Walker (directors of the head office board), Richard Teece (general manager and actuary), Robert B. Cameron (secretary), the Hon. S. A. Stephen, M.L.C. (solicitor), and the following delegates from the branch boards:—Messrs. David Elder (Victoria), the Hon. Morgan S. Grace, M.D. (chairman of the New Zealand board), the Hon. E. B. Forrest, M.L.C. (deputy chairman of the Queensland board.) the Hon. Sir Edwin T. Smith (of the South Australian board), the Hon. G. H. Butler (Tasmania).

The report, of which the main features have already been published, was taken as read.

THE CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report, said: "When last I had the pleasure of addressing you from this platform I stated that the result of the year's operation which I then communicated to you appeared 'to indicate that the clouds which overcast the financial horizon in 1893 were beginning to lift . . . that not only did there appear to have been an increasing power in the community to effect new assurances, but an increased capacity on the part of those already assured to keep their policies in force.' I am very glad to be in a position to state now that the results of the past year's work fully justify these anticipations. Both the new assurances effected and the net increase to the volume in force are larger than in any year since 1892. During the year 1897 we completed and received the first premiums for 12,442 policies, assuring £3,157,404, and we added to the volume in force at the end of the previous year 5483 policies and £994,810 of sums assured. To have secured a net increase in the sums assured of nearly a million sterling is, I think, a result on which we may well congratulate ourselves. Dealing first with the revenue account, I find that our total income for the year has been £2,080,565 (I give you even figures merely)—a amount which exceeds the income of 1896 by upwards of £50,000. The amount received for interest, however, is only £4670 in excess of that for 1896. You will naturally conclude from this that our funds have not been as remuneratively employed during 1897 as they were during 1896. This is quite true, for while we realised an effective rate of £5 0s 5d during 1896, the rate last year was only £4 17s 6d, a decrease of 3s 5d per cent. Now it is only right that you should know what are the causes of this reduction. It is only partly accounted for by the increasing difficulty of finding safe and remunerative investments, which is only a passing phase of commercial life, and by the change in the character of investments to which I shall refer later on. You will remember that some three or four years ago our uniform charge for loans on policies was 7 per cent. As a result partly of persistent agitation on the part of borrowers and partly of a desire by the board to adapt the circumstances of the society to advancing needs, and to meet the times, that rate has been from time to time altered until it is now 5, 6, or 7 per cent. according to the amount and term of the loan. The result is that an investment which used to yield 7 per cent. returned last year an average of only 6 per cent., and this average fell from £6 6s 7d per cent. in 1896, to £6 per cent. in 1897, and the tendency is still downward. Now as we have about £3,000,000 lent on policies this fall of 1 per cent. in the rate means a reduction of about £30,000 per annum in the surplus, and £30,000 is about 4s 3d per cent. on the average of our funds in 1897. The figures on the outgo side of the account afford in nearly every item abundant cause for congratulation. Notwithstanding the increased sum at risk during the year, the claims by death, including bonus additions, are less by £66,635 than they were in 1896. Of course, the mortality of 1896 was somewhat heavier than usual, and these fluctuations are always to be expected; nevertheless, the death rate for 1897 was very light. A few statistics regarding the deaths to which allusion has not been previously made may be of interest. In the first place, I notice that the average bonus per £100 has been £36 12s, and, of course, a number of the members who died had already surrendered some of their bonus additions for cash. Then the amount paid was just about 2½ times the amount of premiums received on the policies which became claims. In the next place, the proportion of deaths from violence keeps very high. Last year it was 10½ per cent; in 1896 it was 9·4 per cent; and in 1895 10·3 per cent. Then the lives who died during the first year of assurance were 4·2 per cent. of the total; in 1896 the ratio was 3·4 per cent., and in 1895 it was 2·7; while in 1894 it was 4·4 per cent. Finally, I observe that the average claim (including bonus) per life was £418. In 1896 it was £476, and in 1895 £409. If you look at the table of discontinuances on page 7 of the report you will see that the average sum assured (excluding bonus) is—for each policy void by death £550, by surrender £332, and by forfeiture £255. It will be obvious, therefore, that the small policies, which entail the most difficulty and involve proportionately the largest expense to obtain, are the most liable to lapse. You will observe what a considerable sum is being paid on account of matured endowment assurances—just on £200,000 for last year. There is no uncertainty about these sums, of course, as we know many years in advance how much we shall have to pay out. The sums becoming due under endowment assurance policies are now increasing so rapidly that we expect by 1908—that is, 10 years hence—we shall be paying upwards of £500,000 per annum on this account. The amount paid for surrenders is £53,000 below the amount for 1896, and this, it is hoped, may be regarded as another evidence of decreasing financial difficulty among our members. The expenses of management are both relatively and absolutely less than they were in 1896. We have followed our usual course of not only charging to current expenditure all sums spent in improving the office premises, but we have written a further sum of £3500 off their value. We have also reduced the values of our foreclosed properties by £14,290, and we have reserved a further small sum of £10,564 to provide against any possible loss on doubtful securities. The reserve for these now stands at £288,488. As a result of these operations we have added just over three-quarters of a million to our accumulated funds, which at December 31 last stood at just under 14¼ millions sterling." Referring to the investments of the society, Sir Joseph continued: "Loans on mortgage have increased by about £460,000; loans to municipalities by about £82,000; and loans on policies by £129,000. Now, I want to say a word about this lastnamed investment. In the course of a discussion at our meeting two years ago I expressed the opinion that members ought not to be encouraged to borrow on their policies. An enterprising opponent took hold of this and construed it to mean that I 'gave expression to a sentiment which we presume is beginning to exercise the minds of those entrusted with the management of the institution,' and a very doleful tale has since been repeatedly told as to the disastrous effect which this practice of lending on policies must have on the interests of the office and the welfare of the members. Well, I need scarcely tell you that we are not at all exercised in our minds about the matter, but we are intensely gratified at the enormous advantages which our members are able to enjoy owing to the facilities which we offer them for obtaining loans on their policies. In order to illustrate these advantages I have had a little table prepared in connection with the deaths which occurred last year. You have seen that in 1897 we had 873 deaths of members. Of these no less that 267, or 30·6 per cent., had loans on their policies at the date of death, while 177, or 20·3 per cent. were in debt to us for overdue premiums, and some of those who had loans also owed premiums. Now, had we declined to lend on these policies or to keep them in force when the premiums became overdue, it is highly probable that the members would have surrendered their policies, and the protection represented by nearly £200,000 would have been entirely lost to their families. We have increased our holding of Government securities by over £360,000. These, of course, are not as remunerative as mortgages, but there can be no doubt about their safety. There is a small increase in the sum represented by office properties owing to the fact that the expansion of our business in New Zealand necessitated the purchase of additional land and the erection of a new building in Wellington and the purchase of premises in Napier. Notwithstanding this increase, however, the sum charged as office rent is less than it was in 1896. Owing to the sale of some foreclosed properties and the writing off, to which I have already referred, the sum represented by this asset has been reduced by £43,173. You will observe that the sum on deposit with banks has been reduced by £180,000, and we expect to still further reduce this during the current year. You will not expect me to deal at any length with the valuation, because that is fully, and I think clearly, explained in the actuary's report. I think, however, that we may congratulate ourselves that the change from the use of 4 per cent. to 3½ per cent. in the valuation to which we commenced to give effect in 1894 has now been completed, and that all the participating policies have now, for the first time, been valued at the rate of 3½ per cent. I am informed that the reserves now held for the policy liabilities are probably £700,000 in excess of what they would have been had we continued to employ the 4 per cent. rate. The addition of so large a sum to the reserve for the policies in so short a time has, of course, had a depressing effect on the annual surplus available for division amongst the members. Now that the change has been accomplished this disturbing factor will no longer exist. You will observe that the surplus of assets over liabilities is £467,693. This of course includes a sum of £72,257 held back last year to assist in passing to the increased reserve rendered necessary by the adoption of the 3½ per cent. rate. We do not, however, propose to distribute the whole of this sum, and various reserves amounting to £22,458 have been made, leaving a divisible surplus of £445,235 which is now in process of division among the members. The average rate of cash bonus over the whole business is a somewhat larger proportion of the premiums paid than was the case last year; but inasmuch as there has been a further fall in the rate of interest, and as endowment assurance policies are more affected by the rate of interest than are whole life policies, the bonus to the former will be somewhat less than it was last year. There is one matter to which no reference is made in the report to which I might allude. You will remember that in the last amendment of the bylaws finally agreed to in February, 1897, provision was made to enable the board to grant further assurances on the lives of members resident outside of the Australasian colonies. Some delay took place in carrying through the necessary registration in Great Britain, but towards the close of the year we were enabled to inform our members in the United Kingdom that we were prepared to consider proposals for further assurance on their lives. We are receiving a very gratifying response, and we expect to obtain a considerable acquisition of new business from this source. A reference to page 6 of the report will show you that we already have on our London agency register 1018 policies assuring £506,589, and yielding an annual premium revenue of £15,657. Our total revenue in Great Britain is over £22,000 per annum, and our disbursements of all kinds about £12,500 per annum, while we have investments there of £160,000. Referring to foreign criticism of the society, Sir Joseph read an extract from the "Chicago Independent" eulogising the character of the institution. He welcomed the representatives of the local boards in the other colonies. "With the close of the current year," Sir Joseph added, "we shall close the first half-century of our existence. If I continue to occupy my present position a year hence I shall have something to say to you on the subject of a development which is, I think, without a parallel in the financial history of Australasia, a development which has seen the growth of the unpretending, modest little venture of 1849 into the largest mutual life office in the British Empire."

ADDRESSES BY INTERCOLONIAL REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. David Elder, of Victoria, seconded the motion. He said that in Victoria during the past year the branch had issued 3540 policies, assuring £817,700, which produce an addition to the annual income from new premiums of £28,969—a substantial increase on the figures of the previous year. In addition to the progress made in this direction, the claims for the year showed a falling-off of £34,000. Surrenders were £31,000 less; while lapses show a shrinkage of £90,000 as compared with the preceding year. These figures show increases in all departments in current business. In the table showing the distribution of the existing business among the various registers, Victoria headed the list so far as number of policies issued was concerned, although the amount insured by such policies was not so large as that carried by the policies issued in the mother colony. About 60 per cent. of the amount covered by the policies issued in Victoria since the branch was established now remain with the society, this being a somewhat larger percentage than the average shown on the whole business, which was 54·9 per cent. That the moneys of the society were profitably invested was shown by the average rate of interest obtained on its investments, which, he was glad to notice, was equal to £4 17s per cent. The foreclosed properties in Victoria are now earning a net return of within a fraction of 4 per cent. per annum. He also had the satisfaction of being able to state that on all money lent on the security commonly described as "Broadacres" there was not to-day a single arrear of interest nor a single property in our possession.

The Hon. Dr. Grace, chairman of the New Zealand branch of the society, said that the New Zealand branch had continued to enjoy uninterrupted prosperity. Twenty-six and a half years ago the branch started with an annual income of about £17,000. On December 31 last this income had risen to £338,189 per annum, and its accumulated fund amounted to £2,369,259. At that date £1,475,653 was invested on first mortgages of freehold securities in New Zealand, and it was a pleasure to state that not one penny of interest due on this vast sum was left unpaid. (Applause.) During the 26½ years of the branch's existence £1,227,177 of interest on investments became due, and every penny of it had been paid, and in due course safely invested. (Applause.) This unique experience spoke in eloquent terms of the solvency of the colony he represented, and afforded satisfactory proof of the wisdom of the administration so ably directed by their head office. Success of the kind indicated could only be obtained as the result of the most cordial relations between the elected directors in Sydney and the local board in New Zealand. The new business for the year consisted of 2254 policies, assuring £517,550, and producing a new annual revenue of £17,018. The number of policies was larger than that issued during the previous year; but the sum assured was less by £29,133. Single premiums paid were much in excess of those of the previous year, being £18,638 instead of £8838. No less than £18,202 was paid in as consideration for annuities granted. The total number of policies on the branch at December 31, 1897, was 23,282, assuring £6,640,252. The new building for the accommodation of the society had just been completed. It was equally a work of utility and art. New Zealand, which had so nobly supported this institution, merited an exhibition of the public spirit of the society, and as all the spare office accommodation was already rented she was ready to pay for it. The Australian Mutual Provident Society was, in fact, a New Zealand institution on the soundest federal basis—community of interest. The society in all its financial arrangements enjoyed local autonomy in the employment of its savings in New Zealand. (Applause.) It had become thoroughly associated with its life and growth. Its money was profitably handled by New Zealand farmers, by municipalities, citizens, and Government, and throughout the length and breadth of the land they would find the A.M.P. Society, like every other healthy growth, showed especial vigour in those fortunate isles. They had a formidable rival to contend with in the shape of the Government Insurance Department. They had taught this department its business whilst it was still a sucking babe. They were proud of it as a worthy rival. The broadness of the basis of their operations as a society overtopped the advantages of its Government guarantee. Their people were above all things good commercial men. They had covered the seas with evidence of their enterprise. They knew the solidity and advantages of their position in the insurance world, and instead of sniffing at the competition with the Government Insurance hugged both to their bosoms, and were all the richer for their wisdom. The New Zealand officials, the speaker went on to say, were proud of their society, and were worthy always of generous treatment. He paid a tribute to the enthusiasm shown by the New Zealand secretary, Mr. Lowe, in the interest of the society, to his prudence, industry, and thrift. Their one principle in business was unvarying courtesy to all, prompt reply to all applications, close attention to the special circumstances of all borrowers in trouble, and a businesslike generosity when concessions ought to be made. All this they had learned under the guidance of the head office of the society, and they therefore now could rejoice together.

The Hon. E. B. Forrest spoke on behalf of the Queensland board. He said he would embrace the opportunity of complimenting the administration at the headquarters of the society upon the splendid results which had been achieved. They were most satisfactory. There was a big and prosperous future before the A. M. P. Society in Queensland, because there was a big and prosperous future before the colony itself. (Applause.) That idea seemed to be entertained here by the society at all events. Under the head of Government securities £1,140,000 was invested in the six colonies of Australasia. Queensland represented one-half of that amount. Her mineral, pastoral, and agricultural industries justified this confidence. Dealing with the pastoral resources of the colony, he said that the ticks had in the past been a terror, but the danger under this head was diminishing, and the terror was rapidly passing away. Numerous reports from tick-infested districts stated that the mortality from the pest had ceased. That meant that they had got hold of the right thing now, and that inoculation was taking the sting out of the evil. As against the tick pest they must bear in mind that the supply of artesian water was practically working a revolution in pastoral work in Queensland. They had the land, they had the pasturage, they had the cattle and the sheep. What they wanted was a market for their stock. (Hear, hear.) There were very clever men now giving their attention to this matter, and he had not the slightest doubt that means would be found to dispose of their pastoral products to the best advantage. The market in England was practically controlled by a ring, but he did not believe that any ring could keep Australia down. (Applause.) He dealt briefly with the agricultural resources of the colony, and said that in respect to one article—sugar—they had increased the output from 34,000 tons in 1888 to 160,000 tons in 1898. (Applause.) In conclusion, he made reference to the near prospect of federation, and said that if New South Wales passed the Commonwealth Bill the question of union would at once become a burning one with them in Queensland.

Sir Edwin Smith (South Australia) said that all business operations in South Australia during the past two or three years had been carried on under most discouraging circumstances. They had had a series of bad seasons which had most prejudicially affected their great producing interests, and it was upon these interests that the prosperity of South Australia to a large extent depended. The summer through which they had just passed was reported by their Government Astronomer to have been the hottest and driest recorded in the history of their province. In the City of Adelaide only 1in. of rain fell during the five months from November to March. The distress among the farmers, and the general restriction of business which had resulted from the continuance of this disastrous drought, had necessarily had its effect upon the transactions of the society; but in spite of all adverse influences it was with much gratification they were able to report in their colony a marked increase in new business and a marked decrease in void business. The membership in their particular colony had suffered, although that of the society as a whole had not, through the removal of a large number of the population to Western Australia; but nevertheless he was pleased to report a very satisfactory increase in the large list of nearly 15,000 policyholders within the province of South Australia. They made a searching investigation of the whole of the securities on their books every year. At the close of business on December 31, 1897, there was only £36 in arrear on the whole of their mortgages, of which £28 represented instalments on account of principal. There was, therefore, at that time only £8 of interest in arrears, and when the general manager paid his annual visit of inspection to the branch a few weeks after the close of the year that sum had been paid, and there was not one penny of interest in arrear. At the end of 1896 they had eight foreclosed properties on their books, representing a value of £13,640. During the year 1897 five of these properties were disposed of. At the present time they had only four foreclosed properties to deal with, representing a value of £3298, and the net rentals receivable on these properties represent a return of between 5 and 6 per cent. per annum. These few facts would be sufficient to show that their securities in South Australia were in a most healthy and satisfactory condition.

Mr. G. H. Butler (Tasmania) said that his colony was a small community, and therefore the volume of business must necessarily appear small beside the larger colonies. Since the year 1877, when the Tasmanian branch was first opened, the number of policies had increased from 1099 to 6276, so that they had now existing six times the number of policies they had 20 years ago. He might mention that two-thirds of the existing life assurance in the colony was held by their society, leaving only one-third to the other offices. (Applause.) He was also glad to report that there appeared to be an improvement all round in the general welfare of the colony. (Applause.)

The motion for the adoption of the report was then agreed to.

The Chairman announced that the voting for the directors, the candidates being Messrs. Joseph Abbott, W. T. Dick, J. R. Hill, and L. C. Russell Jones, had closed; but the meeting would be adjourned for a week to the society's board-room, when the result would be made known.

A "show of hands" was asked for with regard to the election of one auditor. The candidates were—Messrs. Neville Dowling, T. F. H. Mackenzie, and W. H. Perry. The result was declared to be in favour of the retiring director, Mr. Mackenzie. A ballot, however, was demanded, and granted to take place on Monday, the 16th instant.

On the motion of Mr. Affleck, M.L.A., seconded by Mr. A. G. Eager, a vote of thanks was carried to the directors and officers of the society, and the meeting then terminated.

THE NEW GUINEA LAND SYNDICATE.

WHAT MR. CARRUTHERS SAYS.

"AN ARGUMENT FOR FEDERATION."

THE GOVERNMENT WILL INQUIRE INTO THE MATTER.

On the 5th instant particulars were given in the "Herald" of a remarkable agreement which had been made by Sir William Macgregor, Administrator of New Guinea, with the "British New Guinea Syndicate" by which this body has obtained the right to take up 250,000 acres of land in New Guinea at the price of 2s an acre paid in instalments—6d per acre on application, and the balance in eight annual instalments of 2¼d per acre. Two shillings an acre is to be spent on improvements, after which the land goes to the company in fee simple. A curious feature of the agreement, as explained in our summary of the agreement, is that the company is to have the sole right for six months after any land in British New Guinea is declared available for occupation, to select any portion of it, and the company is given eight years to make its choice of blocks totalling 250,000 acres.

The Colonial Secretary (Mr. Brunker) has received a copy of the New Guinea ordinance which gives legislative authority to this agreement. It is described as having been "enacted by the Administrator of British New Guinea, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof." The syndicate appears from the terms of the agreement to be something in the nature of a chartered company on a small scale, and it is empowered to go in for agricultural, pastoral, manufacturing, and mining operations of pretty well any kind it sees fit. It is also, apparently, the object of the syndicate to float the concession into a company, as conditions are laid down in regard to the formation of such a company. Apparently, also, the chief object of the company is to go in for mining, as one clause of the ordinance says that notwithstanding the provisions of the Crown Lands Ordinance of 1890 the company is to have the sole property in all products of the land, and it goes on to say:—"And especially the sole property in all mines and mineral deposits thereon or therein, and shall, subject to a royalty to be hereinafter mentioned, be the sole persons entitled to dig, win, or take all gems, metals, minerals, and mineral ores" on the land acquired by the company. The royalty is £2 10s per £100 on all gold and metals of the platinum group.

The subject was mentioned again in the "Herald" in a paragraph quoted in yesterday's issue from the Melbourne "Age," in which it was stated that the attention of Sir George Turner, Premier of Victoria, has been attracted to this remarkable land transaction, and he intends to make inquiries from the Queensland Premier to ascertain the circumstances surrounding the arrangement. Mr. Brunker, referring to the agreement yesterday, said the subject would be considered by the New South Wales Cabinet at its next meeting. It seemed to him a remarkable document, and he intended to take it home with him and study it carefully. The Premier (Mr. Reid) also says it will have to be considered by the Government and inquired into. He has not yet seen the text of the agreement, and so is not able to express an opinion on it.

Speaking on the subject yesterday, the Minister for Lands (Mr. J. H. Carruthers) said to a "Herald" reporter that of course there were always two sides to every question, and so far we had only heard one side of this case. "Under these circumstances," Mr. Carruthers continued, "I think we ought to be very chary about giving our judgment, but I cannot help reflecting that the system of large land grants has been a great failure on the mainland of Australia. For instance, there is the A. A. Company and the Peel River Company. These districts of New South Wales have never recovered from these huge land grants. It would be better always to wait till a real demand grows for the land for settlement than to dispose of enormous areas by land grants which may hereafter retard the progress of the country. The remedy, I think, for any difficulty of this kind lies in Australia getting a better control of New Guinea than is now the case. We have a partial control, and subscribe towards the expense of government; but it is really a Crown colony. In my opinion we can only get proper control of the island of New Guinea when we get federation. I have continually pointed out that the present position of affairs in New Guinea, of which two-thirds are in the hands of foreign Powers and the remaining third is a British Crown colony, is detrimental to the best interests of Australia, and the only chance of remedying that state of affairs is when the hands of Australia have been strengthened by the establishment of a united Australia under federation. Of course if we want a larger share in the control of New Guinea we must be prepared to pay more towards the cost of governing it. So long as the government of the country is a charge on the British nation we must expect the British Government to adopt means of its own to raise revenue. I have no doubt that we would get absolute control of the British portion of the island if we undertook the whole cost of administering it. It therefore resolves itself into the question of finding the money."

"You referred to the German and Dutch portions of New Guinea. Do you mean that they could be purchased from these Governments?"

"I believe, if negotiations were entered into, we could buy the German half. I don't think the Germans are very much inclined to stick to it. Arrangements might be made, for instance, by means of exchanges of land in Africa and other places where English and German interests conflict. German New Guinea might be given up as a quid pro quo for some other territory less valuable to England and more valuable to Germany. It seems to me that we should have the whole of New Guinea under Australian control. It is closer to Australia than Tasmania, and it is right on the track of some of our chief trade routes."

"Then you regard it as the Cuba of Australia?"

"It is even closer to Australia than Cuba to the United States. In fact, it practically occupies the same position to us as Newfoundland to Canada."

CHARITY ORGANISATION SOCIETY.

The committee meeting of the above society was held on Wednesday last. Mr. E. Fosbery presided. The secretary submitted for payment the monthly accounts amounting to £60, and reported that the subscriptions for the same time were only £48; consequently unless additional support is received from the benevolent public the relief hitherto given would have to be restricted. This would fall heavily upon the sick and afflicted, as several of the suburban relieving agencies were without funds, causing a greater strain upon the resources of the above society. During the past month 134 cases were relieved and 21 refused, they proving upon investigation to be unworthy. Also 19 begging letters received by subscribers and sent for inquiry were reported upon as to their genuineness.

The greatest height ever reached in a balloon was 26,160ft.; two of the three aeronauts who made this ascent were suffocated.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—May 13.

R.M.S. Oroya (Orient line), 6297 tons, Captain MacWeld, from London, via ports. Passengers—From London to Sydney: Mr. R. Rowlands, Mr. and Mrs. Fadham Petrie, Mr. B. Black, Mrs. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. T. Carter and child, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Allman, Mr. Allman, jun., Mr. R. C. Ogle, Sergeant-Major Mrs. Duncan and 2 children, Sergeant T. H. Clayton, Mr. F. Whittet, Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett and child, Mr. H. Cromwell, Mr. F. L. Carmichael, Mr. J. Foreman, Mr. P. Fannan, Mr. C. Sporg, Mr. Holdsworth, Mr. J. O'Brien, and 53 in the steerage. From London for Auckland: Mr. E. Proud, Judge Von Stieglitz. From London for Wellington: Mr. A. C. Warren, and 3 in the steerage. From London to Brisbane: Mr. and Mrs. G. Day and 11 in the steerage. From London to Rockhampton: Miss D. Whitfield, Mrs. Hansselin. From Albany to Sydney: Mr. W. W. Mitchell, Mr. G. Stove, Mr. C. C. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Cowan, Mr. A. Cowan, Mr. J. Robinson, Mrs. Mackay and child. From Adelaide: Mr. and Mrs. Alford, Mr. S. H. Fairland, Mrs. S. H. Fairland and infant, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Taylor and child, Mr. T. H. Wells. From Melbourne: Mrs. Douse and infant, Rev. J. M. Maher, Rev. J. M. O'Reilly, Mrs. Lowes and the Misses Lowes (3), Mr. Wilson, Mr. Pafford, Mr. W. P. Allen, Mr. D. Ross, Miss L. J. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Maxwell, Miss K. Gawler, Mrs. and Miss Conor O'Brien, Mr. W. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman and infant, Mr. J. J. Brotherson, Mr. T. Adair, Mr. A. Goodlr, Miss Legge. David Reid, aged. Port Elliot, s., 3500 tons, Captain Balchin, from London, via ports. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., agents.

Star of New Zealand, s., 4712 tons, Captain Reed, from London, via Melbourne. Tyser and Co., agents.

Sydney, s., 684 tons, Captain Walker, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

South Australian, s., 716 tons, Captain H. Magrath, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

Peregrine (s.), 1660 tons, Captain J. Pain, from Brisbane, May 10. Passengers—Mesdames Dornell, Knife, Hanfren, Forrest, Reid, Christie, Tapps, M'Cullen, St. Clair, Maclean, Hiron, Newlan, Whitman, Misses Broadford, Donald, Shoreman, Renton, Hiron, Dr. Lloyd, Messrs. Mear, Sawyer, St. Clair, M'Callen, Maher, Hanfren, Wheelwright, Simont, Medcraft, Hiron, Meyers, Paull, M'Donald, Forrest, Hanson, Paull, Donell, Whitman, Booth, Putt, Mears, and 61 in the steerage. Wm. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—May 13.

Warrnambool, s., for Capetown and London, via ports. Maranoa, s., for Normanton and Burketown, via ports. Tekapo, s., for Launceston, via Eden. Burrumbeet, s., for Melbourne. Copley, ship, for West Coast South America, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—May 14.

Orizaba, Royal mail steamer, for London, via ports; Melbourne, s., for Fremantle, via ports; Peregrine, s., for Melbourne; Laura, s., for Cairns, via ports; Elamang, s., for Rockhampton, via ports; Wollowra, s., for Fremantle, via ports; Kallatina, s., for Clarence River; Electra, s., Richmond River; Coraki, s., for Manning River; Newcastle, s., for Newcastle; South Australian, s., for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—May 13.

Maranoa, s., 1565 tons, Captain C. C. Mackenzie, for Burketown, via ports. Passengers—Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Sumners and 3 children, Miss Carson, Messrs. W. B. Hare, Johnson, E. P. Williams, E. W. Finch, R. Peilberg, and 21 in the steerage.

Tekapo, s., 2319 tons, Captain H. Sams, for Launceston, via Eden. Passengers—Mrs. George Coutts, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Bruce Scott, Mrs. Mulloy, Miss Cleaver, Messrs. W. Doolan, H. Mordant, C. Dunn, M. F. Aduam, A. O. Beddington, P. W. Sage, Master E. F. Roe, and 9 in the steerage.

Burrumbeet, s., 2420 tons, Captain W. Hipgrave, for Melbourne. Passengers—Mesdames Hurley, Briad, Robinson, Kilgour, James Wilson, Kahn, Miss Gibson, Messrs. A. R. Johnson, Huley, R. Jones, Flowers, T. E. Irwin, A. C. Stevens, J. Appleyard, A. Macarthy O'Leary, J. H. Brown, S. King, Briad, W. Snewin, J. H. Kilgour, J. A. Mann, Robinson, Master Briad, and 15 in the steerage.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—May 13.

Roselle, schooner, Captain A. Zahren, for Camden Haven.

IMPORTS.—May 13.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.]

Kelloe, s., from Brisbane: 871 bales wool, 16 bales skins, 23 cases fruit, 18 bales hay, 2 bales hair, 21 bags hides, 38 hides, 585 cases meats, 18 casks tallow, 160 bags bones, 5 bags beeswax, 100 bags bonedust, 186 cases fruit, 25 bags oysters, and sundries. For Melbourne: 3219 bags bonedust.

Oroya, R.M.S., from London, via ports: 2422 packages tea, 7 packages coffee, 30 packages desiccated cocoanut, 1585 ballots fibre, 25 cases galvanised iron, 7 cases typewriters and supplies, 31 barrels sardines, 1 case type, 869 tons pig iron, 21 cases cigarettes, 5 cases tobacco, 1 case piano, 17 packages nails, 119 steel plates, 5 cases cutlery, 2 packages bicycles, 28 cases brake material, 64 packages bolts and nuts, 12 cases medicines, 6 cases hams, 25 packages cutlery, toys, and furniture, 1 case leather, 5 cases electrical fittings, 18 cases cutlery, tools, twine, and lamps, 18 packages machinery, 25 packages felt and felt hats, 93 packages drapery, 24 packages woollens, 15 cases linen thread, 38 packages boots and shoes, 12 cases felt and straw hats, 49 packages books and periodicals, 496 sleepers, 83 packages drapery and hardware, and sundries; also a quantity of cargo for transhipment.

Star of New Zealand, s., from London: 669 packages earthenware, 15 cases granite, 29 boxes type, 501 cases safety cartridges, 8 cases bovril, 102 cases fruit, 297 packages brandy, 84 cases machinery, 532 packages druggists' goods, 18 cases springs, 86 cases hosiery, 600 packages paint, 2050 cases milk, 27 axles, 104 packages brake material, 19 tanks confectionery, 300 hogsheads beer, 6 cases pianos, 294 packages stationery and books, 1033 packages fine goods, 67 packages tinplates, 854 packages rough goods, 132 bundles tubes, 675 packages hardware and ironware, 188 steel plates, 31 cases photo goods, 39 reels rope, 17 crates felt, 50 hogsheads rum, 60 tents malt, 352 rolls wire netting, 8 cases brass goods, 718 bales paper and paperware, 46 bales cottons, 120 casks safety fuse, 5 cases white metal, 132 packages tools, 40 casks red lead, 21 casks shot, 5 cases bedsteads, 10 engine tires, 15 packages gasholders, 83 bales carpets, 108 packages boots and shoes, 100 bales muntz metal, 21 packages cream of tartar, 484 asphalte pipes, 63 packages copper tubes, 138 cases floorcloth, 12 packages steel, 14 packages soap, 55 casks zinc, 5 cases diving gear, 298 packages bolts and nuts, 16 chains, 137 packages nails, 185 packages nails and screws, 13 packages stoves, 24 cases pulp boards, 19 casks tube fittings, 200 boxes dates, 800 cases vestas, 162 packages drapery, 30 cases straw hats, 317 cases and 24 hogsheads whisky, 41 cases claret, 134 cases sauce, 644 packages white lead, 100 cases coffee essence, 47 cases pickles, 134 cases provisions, 138 casks colour, 144 casks varnish, 10 casks ginger, 113 cases saddlery, 106 kegs nails, 33 cases lampware, 6?8 drums oil, 14 cases furniture, 57 cases shoes, 20 joists, 51 cases galvanised iron, 40 bales canvas, 200 coils wire, 73 packages crane work, and sundries; also a large quantity of general merchandise for New Zealand.

Peregrine, s., from Brisbane: 1510 bunches bananas, 640 bales wool, 49 bales hay, 348 casks tallow, 25 bales skins, 1929 hides, 18 bags hides, 42 bags bones, 57 bags provisions, 1500 bags sugar, 3000 cases meat, 150 cases extract, 20 cases geneva, 13 cases samples, 20 cases honey, 15 cases provisions, 17 cases pines, 80 cases fruit, 18 cylinders, 15 planks pine, 1798 slates, 27 sundries.

EXPORTS.—May 13.

Burrumbeet, s., for Melbourne: 2250 tons coal, 14 tons rice, 20 cases matches, 204 boxes butter, 4 packages drapery, 16 cases lard, 14 hogsheads molasses, 3 sacks millet, 1300 bark spokes, 2 cases trees, 16 casks composition, 6 packages stationery, 1 case cask registers, 30 chests tea, 477 bags ore, 25 casks shale waste, 5 cases tobacco, 251 bags bonedust, 40 bags oil cake, 400 cases kerosene, 150 hides, 9 cases bottles, 2 cases rubber goods, 14 packages machinery, 14 sacks pumpkins, 5 cases cherry brandy, 40 cases oil, 25 cases turpentine, 4 bales paper, 3 coils wire rope, 3 bales paper, 22 bales hay, 34 cases sand soap, 2 cases muslins, 15 packages luggage, 11 bags almonds, 10 wheels, 100 bags pumpkins, 56 bags glass, 900 cases fruit, and 90 packages merchandise.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: May 13, Allinga, s., from Sydney; Yarrilla, s., from Rockhampton. Departures: May 13, Lady Norman, s., Broadmount, barque, Burwah, s., Cintra, s., for Sydney.

ROCKHAMPTON.—Arrival: May 13, Julia Percy, s., from Brisbane.

TOWNSVILLE.—Arrivals: May 13, Tyrian, s., from Brisbane; Yamashiro Maru, s., from Japan.

COOKTOWN.—Arrival: May 13, Aramac, s., from Brisbane.

THURSDAY ISLAND.—Departure: May 13, Guthrie, s., for Sydney.

YAMBA.—Arrival: May 13, Wyrallah, s. The schooner Gwendoline sailed, but returned. Departures: Australian, s., for Sydney.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: May 13, Indianapolis, s., Marlita, s., from Fremantle; Ashley, s., from Melbourne, South Australian, s., Newcastle, s., Time, s., Barrabool, s., Clonconry, s., Saxonia, s., Balmain, s., from Sydney. Departures: May 12, Broughton, barque, for Coquimbo with 873 tons coal; Woodburn, barque, for Valparaiso with 2031 tons coal; Hiddekel, four-masted barque, for Acapulco, with 4027 tons coal; Tangier, s., for Fremantle, with 600 bullocks and 600 sheep; Tekapo, s., for Launceston, via Sydney, with 1000 tons coal; Larnaca, s., for Adelaide, with 3420 tons coal; Brisbane, s., for Melbourne, with 1400 tons coal; Ouraka, s., for Melbourne, with 3300 tons coal; Melbourne, s., for Melbourne, via Sydney, with 2200 tons coal; Parrabool, s., for Townsville, via Brisbane, with 238 tons silver bullion; Sydney, s., South Australian, s., Sophia Ann, s., Timaru, s., Western, s., Alice, s., Newcastle, s., for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: May 13, Barrier, s., at 9.15 a.m., Tagliaferro, s., at 11.20 a.m., north.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: May 13, Age, s., from Newcastle; Konoowarra, s., from Western Australia; Annie, ketch, from Tasmania. Departures: May 13, Konoowarra, s., for Sydney; Menmuir, s., for Sydney; Paterna, s., for Launceston. The Guiseppe, barque, and Aspice, brig, bound to Newcastle, and the Loch Sloy, for Capetown, were towed to sea to-day.

PORT ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: May 12, Gabo, s., from Newcastle. May 13, Rockton, s., from Albany; Fairy Rock, brig, from Tasmania. Departure: May 12, Gabo, s., for Albany.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

RICHMOND HEADS.—May 13, Macleay, s., St. George, s., and Electra, s., barbound. 12ft. on bar and 12ft. on inside channel at highwater. Passed: May 13, Taiyuan, s., at 4.30 p.m., north.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrivals: May 13, Wyrallah, at 3 p.m., from Sydney; Gwendoline, schooner, returned to port at 5 p.m. Departures: May 13, Australia, s., at 8.10 a.m., for Sydney; Gwendoline, schooner, at 10.30 a.m., for Richmond River.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Arrival: May 13, Excelsior, s., at 1.30 p.m., from Sydney. Passed: May 13, one of Adelaide Company's steamers at 11.40 a.m., south; Gulf of Genoa, s., at 1 p.m., south.

BELLINGER HEADS.—May 13, Alexander, schooner, and Valentine, lug, barbound.

MACLEAY HEADS.—May 13, Zelma, ketch, ready for sea.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Passed: May 13, Elamang, s., at 7.50 a.m., south; Wyoming, s., at 10.30 a.m., north.

PORT STEPHENS.—May 13, Duckenfield, s., Gosford, s., Express, s., Shannon, schooner, Garfield, schooner, at anchor in Nelson's Bay. Departures: May 13, Gosford, s., at 2.5 p.m., Express, s., at 2.10 p.m., Duckenfield, s., at 2.20 p.m. Passed: May 13, a barque working south at 12.5 p.m.

BULLI.—Arrival: May 13, Palmerston, s., at 7 a.m., from Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Arrival: May 13, Illawarra, s., at 1 p.m., from Sydney.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: May 13, Allowrie, s., at 2.30 p.m., for Sydney.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: May 13, Barrier, s., at 11.50 a.m., north; Tagliaferro, s., at 1.25 p.m., north.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: May 13, Tagliaferro, s., at 11.20 a.m., north.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inwards: May 13, Kalgoorlie, s., at 10.5 a.m., Willyama, s., at 12.30 p.m. Passed outwards: May 13, Argyle, s., at 12.30 p.m.

HOBART.—Arrival: May 13, Taiuna, s., at 10.55 a.m., from Melbourne.

LOW HEAD (TAS.).—Departure: May 13, Coogee, s., at 11.30 a.m., for Melbourne.

DEVONPORT (TAS.).—Arrival: May 12, Arowatti, s., during night, from Melbourne. Departure: May 13, Australia, s., at 11 a.m., for Melbourne.

ALBANY (W.A.).—May 13, Adelaide, s., at 4.30 a.m. from Adelaide.

GERALDTON (W.A.).—Arrival: May 12, Bunineyong, s., and Flinders, s., from Fremantle.

PORT PIRIE (W.A.).—Departure: May 12, Kadina, s., for Sydney.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

LONDON, Friday.

Arrivals: Tonic, s., from New Zealand; Waitangi, ship, from Napier.

Departures: Cardiganshire, ship, Sharpness to Sydney; Karlsruhe, s., for Sydney, from Bremen and Southampton; Nevill, barquentine, from Fredrikstadt to Sydney; Torridon, ship, from London to Sydney; Vilenden, ship, from Baltic, for Adelaide; Gulf of Genoa, for Sydney, via ports; Conway Castle, barque, from Maryport to Townsville; Zeeanda, barque, for Port Pirie, from Antwerp; Firth of Perth, barque, from Glasgow to Dunedin and Wellington; Westward Ho, from Glasgow to Brisbane; Eden Holme, barque, from London to Launceston.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND, Friday.

Arrival: Kinfauns, barque, at Wellington from Liverpool.

Departure: Stanley, schooner, from Hokianga for Sydney.

(For Continuation of Shipping see Page 10.)

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Friday.

Average annual rainfall for 39 years, 49·684.

Average for 40 years from January 1 to April 30, 19·921.

Total rainfall from January 1, 1898, to May 13, 21·865.

Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m. to-day, 30·186.

Temperature.—Maximum 6?·9; minimum, 51·3.

Humidity.—9 a.m., 93; 3 p.m., 84.

BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 30·01; Gascoigne, 29·92; Esperance Bay, 29·77; Eucla, 29·89; Streaky Bay, 30·16; Adelaide, 30·17; Robe, 30·17; Portland, 30·20; Melbourne, 30·21; Wilson's Promontory, 30·26; Gabo Island, 30·18; Cape St. George, 30·10; Sydney, 30·14; Newcastle, 30·12; Port Macquarie, 30·12; Clarence Heads, 30·08; Brisbane, 30·05; Rockhampton, 30·09; Mackay, 30·07; Cooktown, 30·01.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Unsettled to showery along the seaboard; clear inland.

Victoria and Straits.—Fine but cloudy along the coast; fine and clear inland.

South Australia.—Fine throughout, with scattered clouds in southern districts.

Central and North Australia.—Fine generally.

Queensland.—Fine generally.

Western Australia.—Generally cloudy to showery, but fine on the eastern goldfields.

Tasmania.—Cloudy at scattered places.

New Zealand.—Fine at Russell, cloudy to showery along east coast.

New Caledonia.—Showery generally.

RAINFALL FROM 9 A.M. TO 6 P.M.

Bathurst, 0·02; Cape St. George, 0·80; Eden, 0·01; Goulburn, 0·03; Moruya, 0·06; Mount Victoria, 0·01; Newcastle, 0·60; Port Macquarie, 0·31; Maitland, 0·17.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS.

New South Wales.—Light to heavy along the coast and central high lands.

Victoria.—Light to heavy in the south-east, and very light along coast.

Tasmania.—Light generally.

Western Australia.—Light to moderate generally, except on the Murchison and in the far north.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 9 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Byron Bay, S.W., light, fine, sea moderate; Ballina, S., cloudy, sea moderate; Clarence Heads, S., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Woolgoolga, S., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Bellinger Heads, S.W., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Nambucca Heads, S.W., cloudy, sea rough; Macleay Heads, S.E., cloudy, sea rough; Port Macquarie, S.W., light, showery, sea moderate; Manning Heads, S.W., showery, sea moderate; Port Stephens, S.E., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Newcastle, S.W., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Lake Macquarie Heads, S.W., light, raining, sea moderate; Catherine Hill Bay, S.W., light, raining, sea moderate; Barranjoey, S.E., fresh, heavy rain, sea moderating; South Head, S., light, cloudy, sea moderate; Wollongong, S.W., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Kiama, S.W., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Crookhaven Heads, S.W., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Jervis Bay, S.E., light, showery, sea moderate; Ulladulla, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, S., light, showery, sea moderate; Moruya, S., moderate, showery, sea moderate; Eden, S.W., light, showery, sea slight; Green Cape, E.S.E., light, cloudy, sea moderate; Gabo Island, E.S.E., light, cloudy, sea moderate.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M.

Albury, 4in.; Balranald, below summer level; Bingara, 10in.; Bourke, 3ft. 7in., falling; Brewarrina, 4ft.; Deniliquin, below summer level; Dubbo, 1ft. 11in.; Euabalong, 1ft.; Euston, 4ft. 6in.; Goodooga, low; Gundagai, 2ft.; Hay, 1ft. 2in. below summer level; Hillston, 1ft.; Louth, low; Menindie, low; Menindie, 8ft. 4in.; Mogil Mogil, low; Moulemein, below summer level; Mungindi, 2ft. 11in., falling; Pooncarie, 8ft.; Tilpa, 2ft. 8in., falling; Tocumwal, 3in.; Wagga Wagga, 10in.; Wentworth, 2ft. 3in.; Wilcannia, 3ft. 4½in., falling; Yetman, low; Barwon River at Walgett, 7ft. 1in., stationary; Namoi River at Walgett, 3ft. 4in., stationary; Goondiwindi, low.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Light variable winds and fine weather in the city and on the coast generally. Another rain area is over Western Australia, and will probably affect this colony in a few days.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Change approaching, causing generally unsettled and showery weather; winds northerly at first, veering later to westerly.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Fine and mostly clear, with light N.E. and northerly winds, frost or fog at night; moderate to slight sea.—P. Baracchi.

SPECIAL FORECASTS BY MR. CLEMENT L. WRAGGE FOR THREE DAYS.

Western Australia.—Showery near Cambridge Gulf; squally conditions in the north; further rain south from the parallel of 30, and strong squalls coming from the S.W., with rising seas under the disturbance "Budha."

Northern Territory.—Chiefly fine; very cold by night in the interior; winds between S.E. and N.E.

South Australia.—Fine and pleasant, but a circle of cloud is forming and the winds are shifting northerly, followed by rain and west and S.W. squalls, with rising seas under the disturbance "Budha" within the next four days.

Queensland.—Fine, with scattered cloud; winds S.E., shifting to the N.E. in the south-western districts and soon becoming cloudy there; ground frosts west from the ranges; sea moderate.

New South Wales.—The southerly weather and rain along the coast will soon take off, followed by a shift to the north-east and north over the entire colony; generally fine west from the highlands, to be followed by rain in the south-western and southern districts as "Budha" makes easting; sea moderating; coastal shipping may now proceed with confidence.

Victoria, also Tasmania.—Cloudy and showery, with morning fogs; a fine spell approaching under northerly winds, shortly followed by a shift to the west and south-west, with further squally conditions and rain under the disturbance "Budha;" sea moderate.

New Zealand.—Squally and wet.

New Caledonia.—Heavy showers.

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Eden.—Oiway, 11 a.m.

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Richmond River.—Tomki, 7 p.m.

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SATURDAY, MAY 14, 1898.

A leading agriculturist, writing from Wyrallah, says that the northern coastal districts will return a very large majority of votes in favour of federation under the Commonwealth Bill.

On Thursday evening Mr. J. H. Want addressed a meeting at Ballina in denunciation of the Commonwealth Bill, and asked the electors to wait for the Financial Commissioners' report before making up their minds to vote. He had a very cordial reception.

At Young the report of Mr. Reid's speech has been received with great surprise and disgust by the advocates of the Commonwealth Bill.

After an address by Mr. V. Parkes, M.L.A., at Liverpool on Thursday night, in opposition to the Commonwealth Bill, a show of hands was taken, but was in favour of the bill.

Mr. Dugald Thompson, M.L.A., had a capital hearing at Germanton on Thursday night, when he delivered an address on the Commonwealth Bill.

A motion in support of the bill was carried unanimously. The district was well represented at the meeting, and is practically unanimous in favour of the bill.

Much disgust is expressed at Tamworth at the inconsistent attitude adopted by the Premier. The preponderance of public feeling in the district is favourable to the bill.

It is estimated that when the new electoral rolls shall have been completed the total number of names will be nearly 300,000.

Speaking at Campbelltown, Tasmania, on Thursday night, Sir Philip Fysh declared that, so far as Tasmania was concerned, the question was not what it would gain but what it would lose by staying out. A motion in favour of the Commonwealth Bill was carried.

Mr. Sydney Smith, speaking at Bathurst last night on the subject of federation, announced himself as opposed to the Commonwealth Bill.

Intelligence has been received that nine American warships under Commodore Sampson bombarded the forts at San Juan, the capital of the Island of Puerto Rico.

Two Spanish ships were destroyed.

Fort Morro was laid in ruins in a few minutes, and after a slight response from the forts San Juan surrendered.

The foreign consuls and thousands of the inhabitants fled into the interior.

The authorities at Washington are now convinced that the report as to the Cape Verde squadron being at Cadiz is inaccurate.

Replying to inquiries in the Chamber of Deputies, the Spanish Minister for Marine declared that the squadron "is where it ought to be according to instructions."

Reports from Washington state that Admiral Dewey has secured the breech-loading guns from the Spanish warships which were sunk off Cavite, near Manila, during the recent naval engagement. He has also seized the stores in the arsenal.

The American fleet maintains the blockade of Manila.

It is reported by the commander of H.M.S. Linnet that Admiral Dewey is unwilling to bombard Manila, and hopes to be able to starve the garrison into submission.

The Spaniards are defying the American Admiral, and declare that they have ample stores beyond the range of the guns of the fleet.

General Merritt will take with him to the Philippines 1500 troops as the first instalment of the force to support Admiral Dewey. The troops will leave next week by the transports Australia, City of Pekin, and City of Sydney.

The U.S. cruiser Charleston has sailed for Manila with 150 tons of ammunition for the American fleet and troops.

Germany has sent four warships to Manila to watch German interests.

A man named George Downing, who had been arrested in Washington on suspicion of being a Spanish spy, has committed suicide.

Opponents of the proposal for the annexation of Hawaii by America rely upon the Speaker of the House of Representatives to prevent the passing of the resolution at an early date.

All Spain is now under martial law.

The bread riots are extending, and the excesses of the mob, principally in looting shops, are on the increase.

Lord Brassey will read a paper before the Royal Colonial Institute in June upon the recent progress of Victoria.

At a meeting of the Surrey County Cricket Club on Thursday, Sir Richard Webster, M.P., the president, referring to the recent statement of Lord Hawke respecting the test matches, said that cricketers should not take Lord Hawke's remarks seriously.

The Surrey County Club, he added, would never relinquish its rights in connection with the visits of Australian teams.

Professor James Dewar, F.R.S., has, after a series of experiments, succeeded in reducing hydrogen to a liquid state.

The Belgian Government denies the truth of the report as to the wreck of the Belgica, with Lieutenant de Gerlache's Antarctic expedition on board, and says that it expects to receive news of the expedition at an early date.

By a fire at Andover, Massachusetts, wool to the value of £50,000 has been destroyed. It had been stored at Andover by a Boston firm to avoid the risk of a bombardment by the Spanish fleet.

The United States House of Representatives has passed a resolution in favour of the election of Senators by the popular vote.

A discovery has been made at the scene of the alleged murder of James Reeves, at Grattai, Mudgee district, which substantially supports the theory of murder.

The Western Australian Minister for Lands has arranged with the new Agent-General to report on the condition of the Agency with the view of extending its sphere of usefulness.

Yesterday the M'Sharry arbitration, which was commenced on July 26, 1896, was practically concluded.

A Chinese named Wah Lee at Adelaide has been found to be suffering from leprosy, and has been placed in quarantine. He has been in South Australia for 18 months.

The report of the directors of the Scottish Australian Investment Company shows a profit of £7692. It recommends a dividend at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum.

At the London wool sales on Thursday there was fair competition for all sorts of wool. Prices were unchanged.

Business in investments in the Stock and Share market yesterday was quiet.

Very few really large wholesale transactions came under notice yesterday in the Import market. Breadstuffs remained in an extremely unsettled position.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 91 bales of wool were manifested, 144 bales arrived coastwise, and 63 were received by rail at Newcastle on Thursday.

Fewer mining stocks were dealt in yesterday, the exchanges being wholly in gold scrip. The feature was the greater firmness in quotations of Western Australian companies.

Yesterday's customs revenue amounted to £4088.

It is pleasant to be able to compliment our artists on the gratifying measure of success they have achieved by their exhibition in London. The extent of this may be gauged by the criticisms we have already published, which are more than sufficient in themselves to show that the appreciation gained by these Australian pictures has been something more than a mere success of esteem. It may be fairly said that we have sent home the best of our local work, and a collection of 370 pictures is perhaps more than sufficient to represent what is best in the work of our artists during, say, the past ten years. It was something in the nature of an ordeal, of course, for our artists to submit their pictures to the critical judgment of art connoisseurs accustomed to the best work of the European galleries; but the step was advisedly taken, and the success is the more pronounced when viewed in the light of our artists' obvious disadvantages. They have challenged the verdict of London on their efforts, and on the whole they have no reason to be disappointed with the result. It amply justifies the experiment, which, indeed, was forced on our local artists by the circumstances under which they are compelled to work. Produced so far away from the centres of critical judgment, and with few accepted examples to guide the local virtuoso in coming to a comparative judgment, it had become in a manner necessary that the pictures should challenge comparison elsewhere. There is always the danger that in distant colonies art effort, like almost every other kind of effort, should be branded with an ineffaceable stamp of narrow provincialism. Art is, of course, in its very essence cosmopolitan, and if a picture is not able to hold its own in a wide sphere of comparison it may be taken for granted that it is wanting in the qualities that should justify its production. If we were to set up a standard of our own here in Australia, and allow it to remain untested by cultivated opinion elsewhere, the danger is that we might content ourselves with a low level of achievement, while even our best artists would lack that hall-mark of approval which success in London or Paris is alone able to ensure.

The interesting character of the remarks by the critics on the Australian pictures should not be allowed to pass without attention. In the first place, they appear to have been struck by the difference in treatment and effects between our Australian landscapes and those with which British artists have familiarised their public. This difference seems to have suggested a certain amount of hesitancy at first, to which even the decided influence of the French school did not entirely reconcile the critics. As our London correspondent aptly expresses it, the effects of light and distance rendered in some of the pictures are a revelation to English exhibition-goers, who are accustomed to the haze which always surrounds London, and who do not realise what the Australian atmosphere is like. One of the critics, again, speaks of our artists' difficulties in grappling with the novelty of atmospheres and natural effects such as have scarcely been dealt with by painters previously. Our sharp translucent air, says this observer, brings the remotest distances within touch; and another speaks of our fierce sunlight, our artists' lack of atmospheric perspective, and the dazzling clarity of the Australian atmosphere. It is obvious that all these things suggest absolutely different conditions—if they are not entirely new—from those to which English painters and their critics have been accustomed. This means that our artists have been labouring, as we have so often pointed out in these columns, in original fields and with novel materials. To us who are familiar both with our Australian atmospheric effects and the efforts of our painters to reproduce them, the measure of fidelity in the picture is readily calculable. The London critics have been compelled to pass opinions on the absence of this, and hence it is satisfactory to find them not only appreciating the artistic novelty in the effects our exhibitors have placed before them, but praising the technique, the handling of colour, the firm and yet careful drawing, and the general breadth and dash of treatment as well. One critic, indeed, pays our artists a high compliment, and one which they will doubtless appreciate to the full, when he acknowledges the workmanlike value of their work, although, as he says, no Claude or Turner has gone before them to show the way.

To be sure, these conditions carry much with them that is valuable and helpful to the artist, as well as imposing a certain disadvantage. They give full play to the element of originality in him, and they emancipate him at once from the trammels of much of that which goes to make up the curse of conventionalism in art. It is amusing in its way to find in this connection one critic devoutly thanking his fortune for what he calls the "agreeable air of un-Britishness that pervades these artistic products of colonial genius." He hastens to explain that this is not said in any spirit of disloyalty to the great names in his country's art, but rather to the style and level of work officially approved as the ideal. But there is a sound basis of the everlasting truth in art underlying the whimsical extravagance of his mode of expressing himself. Without at least a certain element of originality in conception and treatment the most praiseworthy efforts to paint pictures will never get far beyond the ordinary dull level of respectable performance. The conditions under which our artists work help them in the first steps towards the cultivation of an originality which is at the same time free from most of its temptations and all of its absurdities. This is one of the lessons of the exhibition and of the friendly criticisms which have been passed upon it. Another is, that Australian artists have still much to achieve. Generous recognition has been given to what is good in the work of our artists, but the suggestions made as to what is lacking should not be less valued. It is not insisted on, but there is a suggestion that style, poetry of impression, sympathy, and the saving touch of the ideal are wanting to our artists. This echoes an opinion that we have more than once expressed, but which we have trusted to time to remedy. What the critics have now told us amounts to a genial admission of our artists' capacity to handle paint, and to see nature with the artist's eye, if not precisely to interpret it. For the rest, those of our artists who have sold pictures have won a substantial endorsement of what the critics have said about the Australians' work, and we may look forward to seeing this year's experiment successfully repeated.

Now that the week's gale has abated and we are left to reckon its injuries, irreparable in the loss of brave lives, reparable in the loss of valuable ships, there is one circumstance in which we may feel a general pride, and that is the admirable behaviour of all the people subjected to the terrible trials of shipwreck or to its imminent risk. There is hardly any disaster that can overwhelm a party of men where they are so wholly dependent on their own courage, resource, and strength as in the case of shipwreck. Particularly is it so where the mishap comes hard by the coast. It might seem that the nearness of land was in itself something reassuring as offering the certainty of succour, but the case of the Maitland shows that the peril is increased by that proximity. Ships may founder at sea, but they must be ground into wreck once they touch the reefs and shoals that border our stern coast. In the storm of last week it may be said that the whole coasting and intercolonial fleet of the colony was caught between a terrible sea and a terrible shore, some scores of vessels had to bear all the fury of the storm, and hundreds of men were for days engaged in a desperate struggle for life. We may take comfort that the losses are no greater, but they are great. In two total losses of good ships 37 lives were sacrificed, and the sufferings of this awful time will be written, not only in the memories, but upon the strongest constitutions of those at sea towards the end of last week and the beginning of this. Landsmen reading day after day the columns in which appeared the shipping record must have felt a new sense of the perils of the sea, must have realised what a price we pay for our marine in the lives and toil of all sorts and conditions of sailormen.

Our columns have given many matter of fact records of actual heroism. Let anyone imagine the scene only a week ago, and not many miles from this city, when the steamer Maitland lay a wreck on the rocks of Broken Bay, and her company, reduced by the deaths of shipmates in their sight, watched the land a few hundred yards off, and expected their own destruction from sea to sea. Captain Skinner says that in these hours, as at the moment of wreck, discipline was perfect, and everyone faced imminent death with courage. And in the last hours of Thursday night, when the firemen and crew and officers were all at work baling out the increasing water, keeping up steam, and repairing the incessant damage, till at last the fires were extinguished and nothing remained but the end of ship and all aboard, it is evident that something heroic, something beyond the care of individual safety, must have animated those men. So, too, in the last scenes, when the line was got ashore, and the people aboard were enabled to leave the wreck, but not without seeing some of their companions drowned or dashed to death upon the rocks, the spirit of all, both the survivors and those who perished, was worthy of admiration. Then there were the twelve men who left the Merksworth, believing she would sink beneath their feet. What a night of horror was theirs, while one by one five died from exhaustion caused by the incessant capsizes and four were drowned, leaving three to be cast ashore, where but for the strength of one they must have perished by starvation and exposure. Stories of escapes from the very jaws of death abound in this ocean chronicle. The steamer Victoria, from New Caledonia, had her deckhouses and fittings torn away and her saloons flooded, then her cargo shifted, and the immense seas threatened to drown her; but she righted and came to port. The Duckenfield was 40 hours full steam ahead, but she was driven back, making sternway. The steamer Dunmore was buried under seas so heavy that everyone on board expected her to founder from one wave to another. A steamer observed from Jervis Bay took 18 hours to make 13 miles southing. The ketch Lansdowne had to cut away the foremast, the fresh water was flooded with salt, they were a week out, and blown 100 miles further from her destination than when they started. The small fry, the mosquito fleet of coasters, had a dreadful time. As our report said: "These brave little vessels are ever coming through storms under such difficulties as few would dream of, and there are none to sing their praise." Think of the state of men aboard these tiny craft exposed to seas that give the big ocean liners all they know to avoid. There was the coaster Venture, 23 tons, out in all of it, and bringing up safely 180 miles beyond her port.

The big storm passes, and its memories die away. Jack is pitied for a day and then forgotten till next time. Meanwhile the ships are manned and go out and in upon their business, and nobody except the survivors or the relations of the drowned keep recollections of the tragedies of the sea. There is, however, one institution that is always ready for bad weather. It is the National Shipwreck Relief Society, and during this week unfortunately it has been busy. A paragraph the other day said: "Many applications for relief were made to the National Shipwreck Society, and in every instance the deserving were not permitted to leave as they came. Clothes and accommodation were supplied liberally, and the shipwrecked people expressed their gratitude at the services rendered. Bereaved families' cases, as well as those of sailors, are receiving the necessary temporary help." Just now there is a scheme afoot for founding a Miners' Relief Fund, which shall provide for coalminers when injured by accident in the collieries, or for their families if such accidents end in death. And nearly all the time people are collecting for land institutions without much heed to the one charity that takes care of poor Jack and his belongings. It gets helped along mainly by collections aboard ship, and somehow, though certainly not a sturdy beggar, the society seems to find money for crying cases of destitution. But no doubt with more money it could do more useful work. Do people ever realise what a poor class sailors are? Here is a detail from the account of the Merksworth survivor, Johannsen. He laments the loss of his all. This "all," this one man's share in all this rich world, is—think of it—30s in money, a watch and chain, and some clothing. Such as he they all are, and upon them what a great stake rests in passengers' lives and in all the less valuable items of the mercantile navy. It does not seem too much now, when we are recognising bravery as it should be recognised, to remember the firemen and deckhands of the Maitland, the crew of the Merksworth, and the other hundreds of sailormen that trade out of the ports of New South Wales, exposed any day to the fury of gales and the hourly perils of the sea, and in case of disaster leaving many dependents at the world's mercy.

A remarkable unanimity of dissatisfaction is making itself apparent in certain quarters with regard to the foreign policy of Lord Salisbury and his Cabinet, coupled with a strong disposition to angrily criticise its results. The greater Reviews to hand by last mail illustrate this in an unmistakable and exceedingly outspoken fashion, and we know that for months past the voice of opposition and adverse criticism has made itself audible both in the press and in Parliament. But the most curious feature about the situation, in some sense, is the fact that the outcry comes chiefly from the ranks of the Conservatives themselves, who on party grounds might be expected at least to preserve a discreet silence, even if they were not able to cordially admire the foreign policy of Ministers. The bitterest critics of the Government's shortcomings have been their own followers, while the Conservative journals have, in some instances, adopted a tone of adverse comment which would hardly be out of place in the columns of the professedly Opposition organs. If we are to believe what we are enabled to gather from these sources, the career of Lord Salisbury during the past three or four years and the foreign policy of his Cabinet have been a melancholy record of failure and disappointment. We have lost rights in Tunis, Madagascar, and Siam. Our righteous protests against the Armenian massacres were ignominiously silenced by the Powers. We have been flouted in the Transvaal, affronted and threatened on the Niger and the Upper Nile, and we have ceded territory to Abyssinia. On the Indian frontier and in the towns our record has not been one of successful rule, and in the Far East we have seen Russia and Germany take almost forcible possession of Manchuria and Kiao-chau, and menace the security of our hard-won Eastern trade. This is the substance of the one-sided and somewhat unjust indictment which has been preferred against Lord Salisbury and his policy by his own party.

It was to be expected that the upholders of the Beaconsfield tradition in foreign politics, and more particularly in south-eastern Europe, would not come readily to heel when the Premier recognised that the old principles of procedure were no longer tenable. The responsibility for this change rested with him as head of the Foreign Office, and not with the rank-and-file of his followers, and Lord Salisbury has shown his moral courage in frankly accepting the conditions of a new situation forced on England by recent European combinations. It required more of this quality to break with the traditions of the past than to continue in them; but perhaps not even the Premier's severest critics will care to deny that by his action he has preserved the nation from the risk of war. Indeed, this is really the kernel of the charge levelled against him. The Jingoistic complaint of the hour is that the policy of the Cabinet has been to avoid the chance of war instead of asserting its readiness to meet and even court it. The aggressive section of the Conservative party is largely made up of, and receives its impetus from, the army element in Parliament and outside. "The colonels," as the French say, are as active in England as they are in Paris, and the instincts of the military order are much the same wherever they are found. Had they exercised unchecked influence, we might have had England at war on any one of several distinct occasions during the past few years. But public opinion is saner than this, except in moments of exceptional exasperation. It is quite capable of recognising that the British military spirit has already abundant opportunities of making itself felt, in the Soudan and in India. It is able to discern for itself that a rash foreign policy might have involved the Empire in war in half a dozen different directions, and it is not yet at that pitch of war fever when public opinion is prepared to leave the bones of Englishmen to whiten in the wilds of West Africa or elsewhere in petty quarrels, when at any moment the development of events may make a sudden call on the best energies of the nation.

It has been Lord Salisbury's fortune to be entrusted with the guidance of British policy at a time of exceptional difficulty, of great international unrest, and of new foreign combinations directed more or less ostensibly against our isolation. The situation has been developing itself from month to month; and though it is argued by some that much of this development might have been checked by prompt British action taken in time, it is quite open for the apologists of Lord Salisbury to reply, in the light of the most recent events, that to act before the situation had fully disclosed itself would have been hysterically weak and premature. England has not won her preponderance in the world's councils by a policy of feverishness and excited action, but by the measured and judicious movement of preponderating material and moral forces. It is unfortunate for Lord Salisbury's peace of mind, perhaps, that he is at the helm of affairs just when it is necessary to realise the error of so much of the Conservative foreign policy of the past. The party is reaping the harvest of the Disraeli seed, and by the irony of fate the task of binding the sheaves has fallen into Lord Salisbury's hands. He is in exactly the same position to-day as that in which Mr. Gladstone has more than once found himself when baited and misrepresented by the very malcontents who are heckling Lord Salisbury now. The Liberal policy would have saved the nation from several humiliations during the past few years had it been adopted in time to influence the course of events, but since matters have been ruled as they have been there is a certain romantic retributive justice in the circumstance that it has been left to a former colleague of Disraeli to correct the late leader's mistakes. The Liberal party gains instead of loses by being out of power while this necessary readjustment is being effected. Our London correspondents have commented frequently during the last few months on the loyalty with which the Liberals have refrained from embarrassing the Government in the foreign crises through which it has passed. The opposition has come mainly from the Conservatives behind the Government, and the Liberals have once more proved true to their generous and gallant tradition—which their opponents have never imitated—of leaving a Conservative Ministry in times of difficulty abroad entirely free from embarrassment and obstructive criticism at home.

LETTERS FROM ABROAD.—In to-day's issue we publish three letters from abroad. Mr. Henry W. Lucy in "Life in London and Thereabout" writes of the shadow of war upon Great Britain with regard to France and West Africa, and gives an account of a significant conference. He also tells us of the preparations for the Royal Academy show, and of the return of Miss Kate Terry to the stage. In "Australian and Imperial Topics" our correspondent refers to the outlook in the Far East, and details events which are regarded as showing a steady advance of the influence of the Forward Party in the Cabinet—that is, the triumph of Mr. Chamberlain's views over those of his titular chief. He also refers to South Africa, the Tichborne Claimant, and the case of Mrs. Maybrick. We also publish to-day our letter on the Bradford wool market.

VICE-REGAL NEWS.—His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Captain Feilden, P.S., will open the Vaccine Institute to-day at the Hermitage Gardens, Double Bay. Lord Hampden is going to Bungendore on the 17th instant to spend a few days at Currandooley station.

THE TICK PEST.—Yesterday Mr. Alexander Bruce, Chief Inspector of Stock, returned from his visit to Brisbane in connection with the recent developments of the tick pest in the northern colony. Mr. Bruce returned from Brisbane to the Tweed Heads, and then through the north coast district by way of Murwillumbah, Lismore, Casino, and Tenterfield, thence by train to Sydney. Mr. Bruce was sent up to Queensland to obtain full information about the outbreak at Brisbane. The Queensland Government has a number of inspectors out examining stock in the districts through which the infected cattle passed, but so far nothing more has been discovered. There is a great rush of applicants for the material for inoculation against the disease, very favourable results having been obtained by this remedy. This is one of the subjects to be considered at the conference of Ministers of Agriculture to be held in Brisbane on May 25.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.—Yesterday afternoon the Public Works Committee proceeded with the inquiry into the proposed harbour works at the mouth of the Manning River. The chief witness examined was Mr. C. M. Boyce, solicitor, who for many years resided on the river. A sectional committee will leave Sydney on Tuesday night next in the steamer City of Grafton for Grafton, for the purpose of inquiring into the proposed harbour works at the Bellinger, Nambucca, and Macleay rivers. The sectional committee which is conducting investigations in the north-west into the proposed railways from Narrabri to Pilliga and from Woolabra to Collarendabri, is expected to return to Sydney on Thursday next. This committee has been delayed very much by the unfavourable weather.

DEPUTATIONS TO THE PREMIER.—In addition to the deputation to the Premier on Monday next from representatives of the coalminers in the northern, western, and southern districts, Mr. Reid is to receive a deputation on Thursday, June 2, at half-past 11 a.m., of representatives of all the suburban municipal councils, in regard to the Government providing funds to carry out the provisions of the Public Health Act.

VOLUNTEER OFFICERS IN QUARANTINE.—It is expected that those passengers from Europe who came out by the Austral some weeks ago, and who are at present detained in quarantine, will be liberated to-day. Among them are several non-commissioned officers of the Imperial forces, who have come to the colony to act as drill instructors for the volunteer regiments. The officers will, it is understood, commence active duty almost immediately.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE ACT OF 1895.—A somewhat interesting question was argued yesterday before the Full Court, consisting of the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Stephen, and Mr. Justice Cohen. It appears that C. T. Russell, solicitor, at the time of the commencement of the Public Service Act of 1895 was a clerk in the office of the Crown Solicitor, and was a contributor to the Superannuation Fund. On October 31, 1897, he retired voluntarily, and subsequently claimed to be entitled not only to a return of the amount contributed by him to the fund, but to a gratuity. He commenced an action against the Rt. Hon. G. H. Reid (as nominal defendant) to recover the amount; but the defendant pleaded that as the plaintiff retired voluntarily, and his relinquishment from the service was not brought about by the board "for any cause other than an offence," as mentioned in sections 60 and 62 of the Act, he could not recover. The plaintiff demurred to this plea as being no answer in law to his claim, but the Court yesterday held that the plea was a good one, and found in favour of the defendant.

MAIL STEAMERS.—The Orizaba, for London, will leave the Quay at 2 p.m. to-day instead of noon. Yesterday the Oroya arrived and will berth on Monday. It is expected that the Alameda will be here on Monday morning from Auckland with the San Francisco mail. The Britannia is to arrive to-morrow at Adelaide, and her mails will reach here on Wednesday.

AUSTRALIAN ART IN LONDON.—It may interest art lovers here to learn that the pictures sold during the first three days of the Australian Art Exhibition at the Grafton Galleries represented the satisfactory sum of £449. The secretary of the National Art Gallery here informs us that the highest price given was for St. George Tucker's "Sunset," 100 guineas; next came "Mount Kembla," £75, and "Passing Showers," about 50 guineas, both painted by Mr. W. Lister-Lister; whilst the fourth in value was "Bullock Team Resting," £48, by J. Schobroma. The remaining

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works quoted in the list of sales published on Thursday varied in price between 20 guineas and 3 guineas.

PRESENTATION TO ALDERMAN W. HOUSTON.—In the tearooms of Messrs. Holdsworth, Macpherson, and Co.'s establishment yesterday Alderman W. Houston, Mayor of Randwick, was the recipient of a handsome present, consisting of an electroplated dessert service in floral design and a number of Webb's cut crystal dishes. The present was in recognition of the services Alderman Houston had rendered in connection with the erection of the new Presbyterian Church, Waverley, as secretary to the trustees.

PRESENTATION TO THE VERY REV. P. LE RENNETEL.—The Federation Hall, Church-hill, was crowded on Thursday night. It was a meeting of the parishioners of St. Patrick's and other friends of the Very Rev. P. Le Rennetel, S.M., to present that gentleman with a purse. The proceedings were marked by great enthusiasm, and the cheering was very hearty and prolonged when it was announced that the "testimonial" amounted to £333. Many citizens outside the parish, it was explained, had contributed as a recognition of Father Le Rennetel's charitable and other work. M. Biard d'Aunet (Consul-General for France) was the chairman. He spoke of Father Rennetel, who had been connected with St. Patrick's for 19 years, as a man of character, ability, goodness, and generosity—one who was not only highly appreciated by all the Catholics of Sydney, but was also held in esteem and reverence by the citizens generally. Speeches were made by Dr. O'Neill, Mr. Healy, Mr. Slattery, Mr. O'Connor, and Mr. Purcell, all of whom, while wishing Father Le Rennetel a safe voyage and a pleasant sojourn in France, expressed the hope that he would hasten his return. In his response the very rev. gentleman said he accepted their offerings with a gratitude beyond words. On Thursday morning there were presentation ceremonies in the local R.C. schools—the Marist Brothers and the Sisters of Mercy—and last evening Father Le Rennetel received yet another gift from the members of St. Patrick's choir.

A DISPUTE WITH THE PRESBYTERY.—Yesterday the Rev. George Hay appealed to the Full Court against the decision of Mr. Macfarlane, S.M., at Newtown some time ago. It appeared that the rev. gentleman handed to the Presbytery of Sydney a certificate from the Presbytery of New England, and an application for the return of the document to him proving unavailing, he summoned the Rev. George MacInnes, secretary of the Presbytery, for wrongfully detaining it. The defence was that the document was the property of the Presbytery, and could only be handed over to the applicant as a matter of grace and favour. The magistrate dismissed the summons, and applicant appealed. The Court held that apart from the fact that it had no power to interfere with matters of church discipline, the question for the magistrate was one of fact, and not of law, and on the evidence it could not say that he had come to an erroneous conclusion. The appeal was therefore dismissed, but costs were not asked for.

ACCOMMODATION AT THE COAST HOSPITAL.—Last year additional accommodation was provided at the Coast Hospital by the erection of another ward for diphtheria cases, but even with this additional accommodation Dr. Ashburton Thompson, president of the Board of Health, says the space available is now quite inadequate, and the question will shortly have to be faced of providing a suitable building for the isolation and treatment of infectious diseases. In addition to being greatly overcrowded, the arrangement of the Coast Hospital building itself, Dr. Ashburton Thompson points out, is not good, and under the present condition of affairs the patients, the nurses, and the doctors are all placed at a disadvantage.

VITAL STATISTICS.—The Registrar-General's report on the vital statistics of Sydney and suburbs for the month of April shows that the births of 978 children were registered in Sydney and suburbs, viz., 506 of males and 472 of females, being 544 in excess of the deaths, but falling short of the average number of births for April in the preceding five years by 118. The deaths numbered 434, viz., 240 of males and 194 of females, which is 20 below the quinquennial average. One hundred and twenty deaths (79 males, 41 females), or 27·65 per cent. of the total, occurred in public institutions. According to the classification of the causes of death, local diseases, with a total of 219 deaths, occasioned 50·46 per cent. of the mortality of the month, and the most prominent in this class were:—Apoplexy, 13; paralysis, 12; convulsions, 11; heart disease, 35; bronchitis, 11; pneumonia, 43; enteritis, 44; cirrhosis and other diseases of the liver, 13; and Bright's disease, 12. Constitutional diseases came next with 81 deaths (18·67 per cent.), the principal being:—Cancer, 26; phthisis, 33; and tubercular meningitis (hydrocephalus), 6. Specific febrile or zymotic diseases, with 51 deaths, contributed 11·75 per cent. Deaths from developmental diseases numbered 23 (5·30 per cent.). There were 24 deaths from violence (16 males, 8 females), viz.:—Accidents, 19 (fractures and contusions, 11; burns, 4; drowning, 1; ptomaine poisoning, 1; blood poisoning, 1; and collapse under chloroform for dental operation, 1); and suicides, 5 (of a police constable, aged 30, by shooting; of a house painter, aged 45, by poison—"rough on rats"; of an engineer, aged 51, also by poison—strychnine; of a gardener, aged 43, by drowning; and of a married woman, aged 33, by poison—laudanum). Forty-four persons (23 males, 21 females) of the age of 70 years and upwards died during the month. The number of births to every 1000 of the population was 2·34, and of deaths 1·04.

EXPLOSION AT WOOLLOOMOOLOO.—An explosion, by means of which four men suffered serious injuries, took place at Woolloomooloo at about 5 o'clock last night. Some excavation works are in progress at the bay, in the vicinity of Potts Point, and it appears that by direction of the Government, under whom the work is carried out, lime has been used as an explosive. The practice is to drill holes and then to charge them with the necessary material, the force of an explosive being obtained by pouring water on the lime. Yesterday afternoon four men were engaged with others in this work. Their names are—George Law, of Daniel-street, Leichhardt; James O'Malley, of Callan Park; John Gorman, of Mort-street, Balmain; and William Ralph, of Weston-road, Balmain. The men had drilled some holes and charged them in the ordinary manner when the explosion took place. It appears that one of the holes was being tamped and that pressure or force of some kind caused the expanding force of the lime to operate too quickly. There was a loud report and a shower of lime flew upwards, the result being that the four men named received a portion of the material in their faces. They were all thrown backwards, and it was thought at first that their injuries were serious, if not fatal. They were conveyed to Sydney Hospital, where, however, it was found that the accident was likely to prove less disastrous than had been expected. All four men had received injuries to the eyes, and had temporarily lost their sight, but with the exception of Law, who appeared to have suffered more than the others, the men appeared last night to be in a fair way to recovery.

FATAL FALL FROM A LADDER.—The death of George Sidney Kidney, which took place at the Sydney Hospital on Thursday as the result of a fall received some days previously, formed the subject of an inquest at the Coroner's Court yesterday. Mr. Urquhart was present on behalf of the employer of deceased. Dr. R. H. Cope, resident medical officer at the Sydney Hospital, gave evidence that death was due to inflammation of the brain, following upon an operation on the skull rendered necessary by a depression, apparently caused by some external violence. Dr. L. H. Harris, also a resident medical officer at the Sydney Hospital, gave evidence that an operation had been rendered necessary owing to the state in which the patient was brought to the hospital. It had been performed in a proper manner. J. Lucas, a painter, said that the ladder from which deceased had fallen was in sound condition. It had been chosen by deceased himself. The jury returned a verdict that deceased met his death accidentally. The foreman added that in the opinion of the jury there was not sufficient promptness shown in attending to the deceased between the time when he was first admitted to the hospital and the time that the next doctor saw him. The coroner directed that the evidence of Dr. Harris should be re-read. This was done, and a juryman then said that he objected to the rider. The coroner said that in that case it could not be taken.

A CHILD BURNED TO DEATH.—Last evening a fatality occurred in Dwyer-street, off Regent-street, Redfern, a child named Elsie May Wegg, aged 4 years, being burned to death. It appears that her stepfather (Mr. William Rees) left his residence at about 6 o'clock, and when he returned, 10 minutes later, he found the little one in front of a fireplace with her clothes in flames. Mrs. Ryan, a neighbour, rushed to Mr. Rees's assistance. The child was quickly enveloped in a rug, and the fire was extinguished, but the burns proved fatal an hour afterwards.

SUICIDE OF A WOMAN AT NORTH SYDNEY.—At Kelly's North Sydney Family Hotel, Carlow-street, yesterday, the City Coroner (Mr J. C. Woore, J.P.) held a magisterial inquiry into the circumstances touching the death of a woman named Elizabeth Smith, which occurred the previous day at the residence of her husband, Sydney Smith, 67 Burlington-street, North Sydney. Dr. Newmarch deposed that the deceased had been a patient of his for the last 10 years, and of late she had been suffering from despondency, melancholy, and hallucinations. Although she had never shown any tendency to suicide, he had considered it wise to warn her husband that she might do so. When he was called in to see deceased on Thursday last he found her in the bathroom at her residence covered with blood, and on examination found a large jagged and lacerated wound in the anterior portion of the elbow of the left arm, the whole of the blood vessels in that part having been severed. He stopped the hemorrhage, and did all he could, but he saw the case was hopeless. The evidence of deceased's husband, Sydney Smith, and of the domestic servant, Laura Ives, disclosed the circumstances already published. The Coroner found that death was due to hemorrhage, consequent on wounds self-inflicted on the left arm.

Lady Hampden, president of the Queen's Jubilee fund, presided at the meeting of the council of this fund yesterday afternoon at the Town Hall. The sub-committee's report showed that a sum of £80 was recommended for the relief of 20 applicants; there were six refused, and one case postponed. The report was adopted. The following ladies were appointed as a sub-committee for the ensuing six months:—Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Fairfax, Mrs. Scott-Skirving, Mrs. John Marks, Mrs. Prendergast, and Mrs. Austin. Mrs. William M'Millan was granted six months' leave of absence in consequence of her visit to Europe. Mrs. Mackay proposed and Miss Mort seconded that Miss Stephen be elected to the position on the council vacant in consequence of the resignation of Mrs. Cecil Stephen; and on the motion of Lady Manning, seconded by Mrs. Fairfax, that Mrs. Edward Knox be elected to the position vacated by Mrs. J. H. Goodlet, each of the ladies taking their position on the council. Both motions were carried.

Last night the Leichhardt Town Hall was crowded on the occasion of a public meeting held under the auspices of the Leichhardt Protection Union, when an address was delivered by Mr. Colonna Close, who is a candidate for selection by the local union to contest the electorate in the forthcoming general election. The Mayor of Leichhardt (Alderman A. E. Hearn) presided.

Mr. Martin, who has been selected by the Fitzroy Protectionist League to contest the election for the constituency at the forthcoming election, addressed a well-attended meeting last night at the Protection Hall, Bourke-street, Woolloomooloo. Mr. W. C. Browne occupied the chair. A vote of confidence in the candidate was carried.

We are requested to call attention to the course of sermons advertised to be delivered in the Catholic Apostolic Church, Elizabeth-street, Redfern, each Sunday evening, at 7.30.

In our business columns will be found particulars of the examinations to be held by the Shorthand Writers and Typists' Society on June 6. Entries will close on June 4.

The publishers, Messrs. William Collins, Sons, and Co., send us four books of their new series "The New Graphic Readers," edited by Dr. Yates. The books consist to a large extent of new material, carefully written for the several classes, with many coloured or plain illustrations, printed and bound in an elegant manner; in fact, an example of the most modern schoolbook.

The twelfth annual ball in connection with the New South Wales Volunteer Artillery took place last evening at the Paddington Town Hall. The attendance numbered upwards of 350 persons. The hall was profusely decorated. The programme included 25 dances, and began with a "Grand March and Waltz," led by Sergeant-major Devery with Miss Amy Davies, and Quartermaster-sergeant Dwyer with Mrs. Dwyer. Bussell's band provided the music. Supper was served by Mr. S. P. Dray.

In an advertisement which appears elsewhere it is announced that the Queen Victoria Home for Consumptives Fund now amounts to £13,697 8s 9d. This sum includes, in the new amounts acknowledged, £100 18s collected by Viscountess Hampden, £407 13s 7d the proceeds of the ladies' cricket match, and £1000 contributed by Mr. S. Horderp.

A preliminary meeting of the Sacred Heart Hospice (attached to St. Vincent's Hospital) dance was held at Mrs. Penny's residence, Darlinghurst-road, on Tuesday last. It was decided to hold the dance in the Paddington Town Hall.

We have received the Journal and Proceedings of the Royal Society of New South Wales for the year 1897. Among the interesting records it contains are Mr. J. H. Maiden's presidential address on the 70th anniversary of the society, Mr. W. E. Abbott's paper on the "Outburst of Springs in Time of Drought," and the paper by Mr. R. H. Matthews on "The Burbung, or Initiation Ceremonies of the Murrumbidgee Tribes."

"A Resident of Miller's Point" writing with regard to Observatory Park complains that the park is not kept in a desirable state of neatness, also that the gates of two portions of the park, off Argyle-street and Kent-street North, are locked up each afternoon before dusk, and on Saturdays at 1 o'clock, to the exclusion of the residents. Our correspondent advocates that this park be placed under the control of the City Council.

A largely-attended meeting of parishioners of St. Charles's Church, Waverley, was held at the Friary, Waverley, yesterday afternoon. There were over 60 ladies and gentlemen present. Arrangements were made to hold a ball in aid of the building fund of the church.

A meeting of the Burns Society was held at the Y.M.C.A. Hall last night, when an address was delivered by the Rev. G. D. Buchanan upon "Burns from an American Point of View." The Hon. Alexander Kethel presided.

Mrs. Wicken, whose name is identified with the teaching of cookery in this colony and Queensland, publishes a revised and enlarged edition (the fourth) of her excellent "Kingswood Cookery Book," which is handsomely issued by Messrs. Angus and Robertson.

Mr. E. Hutchinson, who has been invited to the pastorate of the Ecclesion Church and Missions, will be ordained to the Congregational ministry on Wednesday next. The ordination will take place at Newcastle, the centre of the Northern Association of Congregational Churches. The Rev. F. Binns, chairman, will represent the Congregational Union on the occasion, and the Rev. C. Whyte, M.A., with other local ministers, will take part.

The winter course of lectures of the Y.M.C.A. will be opened on Tuesday next by Professor David with a lecture entitled "The Isles of the Pacific." The professor will give an account of his experiences in his recent scientific expedition to the coral island of Funafuti. Some limelight views will be shown illustrating the lecture.

Dr. Bevan, of Melbourne, will occupy the pulpit of Pitt-street Congregational Church to-morrow morning and evening, and in the afternoon will deliver an address in the large hall of the Y.M.C.A. on "The Morals and Religion of Federation."

A woman named Adelaide Lawrence, who resides in Crown-road, Ultimo, was taken to Prince Alfred Hospital yesterday suffering from the effects of having swallowed a poisonous substance.

Yesterday afternoon the Government Pathologist (Dr. George H. Taylor), by direction of the City Coroner, made a post mortem examination on the body of the young man named Stanley Alfred Rugg, who died suddenly at his parents' residence, 29 Darvall-street, Balmain. The result of this examination showed the deceased to have been of fine physique, and that the cause of death was due to [illegible].

TO-DAY.

N[illegible] Wales Federal Association Meetings: Mount Victoria, Messrs. F. H. Boyce and D. H. Bucknell; Tumbarumba, Mr. J. D. Fitzgerald; Brooklyn, Mr. W. J. Donnelly; Yass, Messrs. Dugald Thomson and J. T. Keenan; Bombala, Mr. F. B. Suttor; Tenterfield, Hon. R. E. O'Connor, Q.C., M.L.C.; Durack's Hotel, Campbell and Elizabeth streets, Messrs. W. Edmunds and H. Moss; Walcha, Mr. W. H. S. Piddington; North Sydney, Drake's Hotel, Messrs. J. J. Cohen and F. Clarke; Balmain, Beattie-street, near Unity Hall, Messrs. T. Rolin and A. J. Reynolds; Rozelle, Catto's Balcony, Darling-street, Messrs. M. M. Burns and D. A. Rogers.

Colonists' Anti-Convention Bill League Meetings: Balmain, Williams's Balcony, Darling and Beattie streets, Messrs. W. H. Wilks and J. S. Law; Katoomba, Messrs. C. Von Hagen and Alfred Allen; Wollongong, Messrs. E. D. Millen and J. B. Nicholson.

Marrickville Town Hall: Anti-Convention Bill League Meeting, 8 p.m.

Young Men's Christian Association: Address by Rev. W. Greenwood, 7.45 p.m.

Sydney Cricket Ground: Football, Wallaroo v. Sydney, 3.15 p.m.; Adelphi v. North Sydney, 2 p.m.

University Oval: Football, Randwick v. Paddington, 3.15 p.m.

Fete in aid of Hospital Saturday Fund: Waverley Bowling Club Grounds, Bondi Junction, from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Straus Benefit Concert: Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Centenary Hall: Consecration Service, 7.30 p.m.

Moorefield Races: First race starts at 2 p.m.

Royal Agricultural Ground: Football, 2 p.m., Forest Lodge Cambridge v. Alexandria Premiers; 3.15 p.m., Pirates v. University.

Sydney Cricket Ground: Lawn Tennis, New South Wales v. Victoria. Play at 11 o'clock.

Criterion Theatre: "The Middleman," 8 p.m.

Theatre Royal: "A Life of Pleasure," 8 p.m.

Tivoli Theatre: Mr. Harry Rickards's Company, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "Othello," 8 p.m.

Lyceum Theatre: "Shamrock and Rose," 8 p.m.

The Cyclorama: Opposite Redfern Railway Station.

Polytechnic and Rontgen Ray Exhibition, 82 King-street.

Standard Theatre: "A Wife's Peril," 8 p.m.

PNEUMONIA.—Worry kills business men. Heavy losses and hard times make them depressed in spirits. The brain and body become weak; unknown to them they are debilitated. It is then that the least chill strikes them, and pneumonia carries them off. To fortify the system and make the spirits buoyant nothing can equal Fisher and Co.'s famous Kola Nut Tonic. It is the most remarkable invigorator and sustainer known.—Advt.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

RITUALISM IN ENGLAND.

CENSURED BY THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

LONDON, May 12.

The Convocation of Canterbury has discussed the petition of Mr. John Kensit and others against illegal excesses in ritual in the Anglican Church.

The Archbishop of Canterbury (Dr. Temple) severely censured the extravagances of some of the clergy, and said that he was himself collecting evidence with regard to the practice.

THE BREAD RIOTS.

SPAIN UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

LONDON, May 12.

The whole of Spain is now under martial law.

The bread riots are extending, and looting of business premises is general.

AMERICA AND HAWAII.

LONDON, May 13.

The opponents of the proposal for the annexation of Hawaii to the United States rely upon Mr. Reed, Speaker of the House of Representatives, to prevent the passing of the resolution at an early date.

The Committee of the House of Representatives has reported in favour of the annexation of Hawaii.

THE ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

THE BELGICA REPORTED SAFE.

LONDON, May 13.

The Belgian Government denies the truth of the report as to the wreck off Cape Horn of the steamer Belgica, with Lieutenant de Gerlache's Antarctic expedition on board. It says that it expects to receive news of the expedition at an early date.

WEST AFRICA.

THE SIERRA LEONE RISING.

LONDON, May 13.

Reports from West Africa state that the two chief leaders of the native rising at Freetown, the capital of Sierra Leone, have been arrested.

ELECTION OF SENATORS IN THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, May 13.

The United States House of Representatives has passed a resolution in favour of the election of senators by the popular vote.

LIQUEFYING HYDROGEN.

LONDON, May 12.

Professor James Dewar, F.R.S., the eminent chemist, has, after a series of experiments, succeeded in reducing hydrogen to a liquid state.

AN APPEAL DISMISSED.

LONDON, May 12.

The appeal in the case of King v. Rymill has been dismissed with costs.

LORD BRASSEY ON VICTORIA.

LONDON, May 12.

Lord Brassey will read a paper in June before the Royal Colonial Institute upon the recent progress of Victoria.

ARGENTINE WHEAT.

LONDON, May 13.

The Government of the Argentine Republic is increasing the export duties on wheat with the object of preventing a scarcity of grain.

THE WOOL SALES.

LONDON, May 12.

At the wool sales to-day there was fair competition for all sorts of wool. Prices were unchanged.

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The following rates have been realised:—Yallum, 9¾d; Mitosa, 8½d; Myall Creek, 9½d; Glenroy, 8¾d; Mercadool, 8½d; Ffrench, 8d; Doondi, 8¾d.

CRICKET IN ENGLAND.

THE TEST MATCHES.

LONDON, May 12.

At the annual meeting of the Surrey County Cricket Club to-day Sir Richard Webster, M.P., the president, who occupied the chair, referred to the recent statement of Lord Hawke, captain of the Yorkshire county club, who was reported to have said that the Marylebone Club ought to select the players and grounds for the test matches between England and Australia on the occasion of the visit of the next Australian team, and that one test match should be played in Yorkshire. Sir Richard Webster said that cricketers should not take Lord Hawke's remarks seriously, for the Surrey County Club would never relinquish its rights in connection with the visits of Australian teams.

SCOTTISH AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT CO.

LONDON, May 12.

The report of the directors of the Scottish Australian Investment Company shows a profit of £7692. A dividend is recommended at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum, and £1442 is to be carried forward to next account.

[A portion of the above appeared in our Second Edition of yesterday.]

ANOTHER LOAN.
Colonial credit has improved since the introduction of Ogden's Guinea Gold Cigarettes. 6d per packet.—Advt.

THE WAR.

AMERICA AND SPAIN.

SAN JUAN BOMBARDED.

THE CAPITAL OF PUERTO RICO.

SURRENDER OF THE TOWN.

THE FORTS IN RUINS.

THE RESIDENTS SEEK REFUGE IN FLIGHT.

TWO SPANISH SHIPS DESTROYED.

AMERICAN BATTLESHIPS IN ACTION.

THE ATTACK ON CARDENAS.

A SMART ENGAGEMENT.

AMERICAN TORPEDO BOATS PUT OUT OF ACTION.

FIVE MEN KILLED.

RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SPANISH MINISTRY.

LONDON, May 13, 7.40 a.m.

Intelligence has been received from Port-au-Prince, the capital of Hayti, that nine American warships, under the command of Commodore Sampson, have bombarded the forts at San Juan, the capital of the island of Puerto Rico.

Two Spanish ships were destroyed.

The battleship Iowa fired the first shot and the battleship Indiana followed.

Fort Morro, which is situated on Morro Island, forming part of the town of San Juan, and connected therewith by means of bridges, was laid in ruins in a few minutes.

After a slight response from the forts San Juan surrendered.

The foreign Consuls and thousands of the residents fled into the interior of the island.

CAPTURE OF A SPANISH STEAMER.

LONDON, May 13.

The United States cruiser Yale has captured the Spanish steamer Rita.

THE BLOCKADE OF MANILA.

STARVING THE GARRISON INTO SUBMISSION.

THE SPANIARDS DEFIANT.

LONDON, May 13.

Reports from Washington state that Admiral Dewey has telegraphed from the Philippines that he has secured the breech-loading guns from the Spanish warships which were sunk off Cavite during the late naval engagement. He has also seized the stores in the arsenal which was bombarded by the American squadron.

The American fleet maintains the blockade of Manila.

The commander of H.M.S. Linnet, which was sent to Manila to watch British interests, reports that Admiral Dewey, the commander-in-chief of the American fleet, is unwilling to bombard Manila, and hopes to be able to starve the garrison into submission.

The Spaniards at Manila are defying the American admiral, and declare that they have ample stores beyond the range of the guns of the fleet.

AMERICAN TROOPS FOR MANILA.

LONDON, May 12.

General Merritt, the commander of the United States army corps which is being sent out to the Philippines to support Admiral Dewey, will take with him 1500 troops as the first instalment of the force.

The troops will leave by the transports Australia, City of Pekin, an City of Sydney next week.

The United States cruiser Charleston has sailed for Manila with 150 tons of ammunition for the American fleet and the troops.

GERMAN WARSHIPS FOR MANILA.

LONDON, May 12.

Germany has sent four warships to Manila to watch German interests.

SUICIDE OF A SUPPOSED SPY.

LONDON, May 13.

A man named George Downing, who had been arrested in Washington on suspicion of being a Spanish spy, has committed suicide.

THE CAPE VERDE SQUADRON.

MYSTERIOUS MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, May 13.

The authorities at Washington are now convinced that the report as to the Cape Verde squadron being at Cadiz is inaccurate.

Admiral Bermejo, the Spanish Minister for Marine, has declared, in answer to inquiries in the Chamber of Deputies, that the squadron is "where it ought to be, according to instructions."

DESTRUCTION OF A WOOL STORE.

LONDON, May 13.

By a fire at Andover, in Massachusetts, wool to the value of 250,000 dollars (£50,000) has been destroyed.

The wool was stored at Andover by a Boston firm to avoid risk arising from the possibility of an attack by the Spanish fleet.

THE ATTACK ON CARDENAS.

AMERICAN TORPEDO BOATS BADLY DAMAGED.

FIVE MEN KILLED.

LONDON, May 13.

Further particulars of the attack by the American warships upon Cardenas, one of the blockaded ports on the northern coast of Cuba, state that the cruiser Wilmington, and the torpedo-boats Hudson and Winslow, opened fire upon the Spanish gunboats and the forts. The forts and the gunboats replied.

The Winslow and Hudson were hotly pressed. A shell pierced the Winslow's boiler and struck the ammunition, causing an explosion which rendered the vessel helpless. The Hudson was badly damaged, but she was able to tow the Winslow to Pedras. Ensign Bagley and four men were killed.

REPORTED ATTACK ON CIENFUGAS.

AMERICAN WARSHIPS COMPELLED TO RETIRE.

LONDON, May 13.

A report received from Havana states that four American warships opened fire upon Cienfugas, the blockaded port on the southern coast of Cuba, with the object of landing arms and ammunition for the insurgents.

The coast infantry and the forts compelled the American warships to retire.

The authorities at Washington are inclined to doubt the accuracy of the report.

THE SPANISH WAR EXPENDITURE.

LONDON, May 13.

The Spanish Senate has adopted the bill making provision for the war expenditure.

RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SPANISH MINISTRY.

LONDON, May 13.

Admiral Bermejo, the Spanish Minister for Marine, Senor Moret, the Minister for the Colonies, and Senor Conde de Xiquena, Minister for Public Works, have resigned their positions in the Cabinet.

Senor Sagasta, the Premier, is reconstructing the Cabinet.

RATIONS FOR THE AMERICAN TROOPS.

LONDON, May 13.

Mr. Russell A. Alger, the United States Minister for War, has made arrangements for the delivery of 15,000,000 rations for the troops mobilising at Tampa, in Florida.

[Some of the foregoing cables appeared in our Second Edition yesterday.]

WAR NOTES.

The Spanish steamer Rita, which has been captured by the Americans, is an iron screw steamer of 2194 tons. She was built at Newcastle-on-Tyne in 1882. This vessel was formerly known as the Yeoman and traded to Australia a few years ago as a tramp steamer coming down from Eastern ports during the wool season. She is now owned at Bilbao.

Puerto Rico, the scene of the latest conflict, is the healthiest island of the Antilles. It has a population of 813,000, of which 300,000 are negroes. San Juan, the capital, has a population of 23,000. There are in the island 470 miles of telegraph line and 137 miles of railway.

The United States transports might be improved upon, or is it intentional? For example, the vessel employed to carry 7000 rifles and 200,000 rounds of ammunition to replenish the depleted exchequer of the Cuban insurgents in that particular line was the Gussie, a wooden paddle steamer built over a quarter of a century ago, and hailing from New Orleans. To expose a vessel of that class to the fire of the Cuban forts borders on the incredible. The Gussie referred to, one would think, would require anything but harsh treatment; but it may be that the Gussie is to act as a decoy.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

A CASE OF LEPROSY IN ADELAIDE.

ADELAIDE, Friday.

A report that a Chinese leper had been discovered in Adelaide was circulated to-day, and has been confirmed by Dr. Whittell, president of the Central Board of Health. The case is under the observation of one of the medical gentlemen of Adelaide, with whom the Government have been in communication for two or three weeks. The patient is a Chinaman named Wah Lee. He is supposed to be suffering from leprosy in its very early stage. There was some doubt about the diagnosis at first, but ultimately the Government received notice from the medical man referred to that the case had, in his opinion, developed into one of leprosy. As soon as the doctor's certificate was received the Premier ordered the patient to the quarantine station for the present. This was done last night. The man was placed in the police boat, drawn by a launch. The patient has been in the colony for 18 months. He has been living off Hindley-street, and was a hawker. The disease is in a form which develops very slowly. The man's friends are desirous of arranging for his removal to China, and the Premier will probably be asked to allow this to be done; but very stringent conditions will be imposed, so that there may be no danger to other people. Dr. Whittell states that every precaution will be taken to see that the people in the neighbourhood where the patient lived are watched, in case the disease may have spread. Nothing more than this can be done. The leper was sent from Adelaide to Port Adelaide in an ambulance van.

INSPECTOR OF WARLIKE STORES.

Colonel Gordon, who has been appointed Inspector of Warlike Stores in the Australian colonies, left for the Eastern colonies by the express this afternoon. The object of his visit is to consult with the New South Wales and Victorian Governments with reference to his new position.

The application of Mr. Paris Nesbit, Q.C., was heard in Chambers to-day. His Honor the Chief Justice declined to sign an order releasing Mr. Nesbit, and he was ordered back to the asylum.

Henry Young was accused at the City Police Court to-day with having entered the dwelling-houses of no less than four different persons, and taken goods to a total value of £120. He discovered an iron safe in a house at Woodville. He quietly went into the back yard, borrowed the owner's wheelbarrow and axe, and wheeled the safe half a mile to a quiet spot, and sorted the contents at leisure. The accused was committed for trial.

Miss Elsie Hall, the Australian pianist, left for Melbourne this afternoon. During her stay she has given three recitals, and the musical faculty have formed a high opinion of her skill.

It is extremely unlikely that the Government will be represented at the intercolonial tick conference, to be held in Brisbane. The view is entertained that South Australia has very little to fear from the pest on account of the dryness of the climate.

The Government has decided to erect a second overland telegraph wire to Port Darwin. An order for the necessary material has been forwarded to England.

THE GRATTAI MURDER.

AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

MUDGEE, Friday.

A discovery has just been made at the scene of the alleged murder of James Reeves at Grattai, which substantially supports the theory of murder. In cleaning out the ashes from the fireplace in which the body was charred the brother and brother-in-law of the deceased found a quantity of dried blood over a foot from where the body was found, which shows that the deceased must have lain there bleeding from a wound for some time, evidently while the fire was being kindled, upon which the body was eventually laid. This pool of blood had no connection with the fire, and had been covered with ashes. The relatives also discovered another pipe ferrule in the ashes.

THE WAR. DEMAND FOR BORNEO CIGAR LEAF.
Cables have been received by the Directors of the Fleur de Darvel Plantations, Borneo, stating that owing to the unsettled condition of Manila the demand for Borneo Cigar leaf has trebled, and can with difficulty be supplied. Sydney smokers may congratulate themselves that the famous Fleur de Darvel Borneo Bouquet Cigars are still obtainable from all Tobacconists.—Advt.

VICTORIA.

MR. PANTON, P.M., AND THE LICENSING BENCH.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

Mr. Panton, P.M., has written to the Solicitor-General suggesting that as a certain section of the community objected to his sitting on the bench at the Metropolitan Licensing Court, he would retire if it was thought desirable, notwithstanding that the Full Court had vindicated him in connection with the allegation of bias made by the Victorian Alliance. The Solicitor-General intends, for the sake of peace and harmony, to allow Mr. Panton to retire, though no intimation to that effect has yet been given him. There will be no difficulty in filling the vacancy of the Metropolitan Licensing Court, as all the police magistrates are licensing magistrates.

PROGRAMME FOR NEXT SESSION.

It is expected that Parliament will be opened about the 21st prox. Ministers are now busy preparing for the session. The principal measures will be the Land Bill, the Workmen's Compensation Bill, the Coloured Races Immigration Bill, the Water Act Amendment Bill, the Coal Mines Regulations Bill, and the Loan Conversion Bill. A bill will also be brought forward to amend the Factories and Shops Act, so as to permit of shops closing at 1 o'clock p.m. instead of noon, in connection with the weekly half-holiday. The purification of the Rolls Act and the Electoral Act will also be remodelled, with the view of bringing the Parliamentary rolls more up to date, and preventing persons from being struck off the lists merely because they have moved "round the corner." If there is time a bill embodying the one adult one vote principle will be brought forward. The Infant Life Protection Act is to be amended by prohibiting nurses adopting infants for a lump sum. There will also be measures to carry out the Government policy with regard to railways, water, and the dairying industries. The Vegetation Diseases Act expires next year, so there will have to be a short measure brought forward authorising its continuance. As soon as the session opens a Select Committee of the Legislative Council will no doubt take evidence on the Exported Products Bill, which may pave the way for passing a measure to accomplish what the Minister for Agriculture desires without imposing needless restrictions on our export trade in perishable products.

VICTORIAN PICTURES IN LONDON.

The trustees of the Public Library have received a letter from the secretary of the London Exhibition of Australian Art stating that up to April 7 28 pictures had been sold. Two of the works sold are by Victorian artists. These are "Sunrise," by Mr. T. St. G. Tucker, and "A Bullock Team Resting," by Mr. J. H. Sheltama.

ST. JAMES'S BUILDING SOCIETY.

The half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of the St. James's Building Society was held to-day. The report showed that during the half-year a further sum of 1s 6d in the £ had been paid depositors, making altogether 5s 6d in the £. The total current liability to the depositors by such payment, and by their accepting receipts for properties sold, had been reduced to £38,919. The realisation of securities during the half-year showed a loss on the book values thereof of £10,071. The chairman, Mr. J. G. Tanner, in moving the adoption of the report, said the present book values of properties amounted to £121,294. He did not think this would be realised, and could hold out no expectation of a dividend being payable to the original shareholders. Mr. M. Hood moved,—"That the expenses of the management should be limited to £600 per annum, and the number of directors should be reduced from seven to three," but the motion was lost and the report was adopted.

While some firewood was being unloaded at the Long Tunnel mine, Walhalla, this afternoon, Ernest Jones, aged 10, son of the engine-driver of the North Long Tunnel mine, was struck on the head by a log of wood, and his skull was badly fractured. The child lies in a critical state.

An agreement has been arrived at between the Postmaster-General of Victoria and Fiji for the direct exchange of money orders between the two countries. The agreement will take effect in a few days.

A number of the passengers by the Orizaba, who have been detained in quarantine since the discovery of the smallpox cases on board the vessel, will be released to-morrow. Nine others will be compelled to remain some days longer. The two patients, mother and son, are progressing favourably.

At the Marine Board meeting to-day a curious letter was read in reference to the perils of boiler-cleaners. The writer urged that whenever a boiler was cleaned an examination should be made of the inside before the manhole cover was fixed, otherwise there was danger of the boiler-cleaners being imprisoned and possibly meeting with death.

Fourteen Chinese who arrived by the Menmuir yesterday were all admitted to the colony. Ten were admitted on naturalisation papers, and the others on the tonnage.

The will of the late George Robertson has been lodged for probate. The estate in Victoria is valued at £119,376, being £99,150 in realty and £19,226 in personalty. The testator bequeaths the whole of the estate to his widow and children.

A statement of the external trade of Victoria for the month of April shows that the imports were £1,077,949 and the exports £1,041,731.

QUEENSLAND.

THE SUGAR SEASON.

BUNDABERG, Friday.

An acute position has sprung up in reference to the purchase of sugar during the coming season. The Colonial Sugar Company have issued a circular to the manufacturers of raw sugar that they are prepared to pay £8 5s per ton, and give a bonus on the same conditions as last year, provided the manufacturers of whites and yellows in Bundaberg, Maryborough, and Isis only place 35,000 tons on Australian markets, exporting the balance to foreign markets; otherwise the company will decline to purchase sugar from these three centres. The manufacturers of white sugars held a conference, and decided to agree that no limit with respect to stocks should be placed on the colonial market, but they were willing to export to foreign markets pro rata on the total output and the surplus production over consumption for Australia.

The Brisbane manager of the Colonial Sugar Refining Company states that its offer to purchase raw sugars was contingent upon the manufacturers of whites and yellows undertaking that their output shall not exceed 35,000 tons. The company further undertook in the event of its offer being accepted to export all the surplus production over the consumption in the Australian colonies this season, which is estimated at 35,000 tons.

BRISBANE, Friday.

Much interest is felt here touching the possible fate of three sailing vessels which left Brisbane last week for the south, and have not yet been reported to have arrived at their destination. Their names are the Parkdale, bound for Sydney, and the Ilala and Waterloo, bound for Newcastle. All the vessels are certain to have encountered the recent rough weather off the New South Wales coast. The Waterloo is well ballasted, but the Ilala left port rather light.

The preparations by the Mines Department for the representation of the colony at the London and Paris exhibitions are now well forward. The Mount Morgan Company has already sent six tons of specimens for the Queensland Court.

In connection with the recent cases of prosecutions against Chinese storekeepers having opium in their possession contrary to the Act, and whose fines have since been remitted, the Government has determined to return to the owners all the parcels of opium then seized.

TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON, Friday.

Arrangements are already being made for a shipment of sheep to the next Sydney sales. Present advances total 2100, including 345 long-wools.

Reason's whole pleasure, all the joys of sense,
Lie in three words—health, peace, and competence.
But health consists with temperance alone;
In use of Whisky, only BROWN'S "FOUR CROWN."—Advt.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PERTH, Thursday.

Some friction arising through the assistant engineer-in-chief claiming greater independence of action in connection with the Fremantle harbour works than the engineer-in-chief would allow, which resulted in the suspension of the former, has been settled amicably. It is now being explained that it was never intended that the assistant engineer-in-chief should be suspended, but only debarred from taking further action in connection with the harbour works, pending decision on the matter.

The wife of a man named M'Intosh, a cabman at Fremantle, took arsenic, and subsequently died in the female hospital. No reason has been given for the act.

The Minister for Lands has arranged with Mr. Wittenoom, the new Agent-General, to report on the condition of the Agency, with the view of extending its sphere of utility. Amongst the improvements which it is thought to effect will be the exhibition of samples of West Australian produce in London for the information of intending immigrants.

During the voyage of the Barcoo, which arrived at Fremantle from Melbourne last night, a saloon passenger named Jos. Banks died on the 10th, and was buried at sea on the following day.

KALGOORLIE, Thursday.

An important action was taken this afternoon by the Kalgoorlie branch of the Mine Managers' Institute, a resolution being passed adjourning sine die. This is a protest against the central administrative council of that body. The branches at present pay three-quarters of their income to the central council, which it asserted does nothing for the money. It is understood that the Coolgardie, Broad Arrow, and Bulong branches are supporting the action of the Kalgoorlie branch. It is the intention now to form a new association of mine managers, which will probably affiliate with the Ballarat Mine Managers' Association.

At the inquest held this afternoon as to the death of Richard Munn, who was killed on Monday night at the Great Boulder Perseverance mine through a fall of earth and rock, a verdict of accidentally killed by a fall of earth, with no blame attachable to anyone, was returned.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, Friday.

A young lady named Kate Seymour was drowned while crossing the Omaka River, at Blenheim, to-day.

The Maori prisoners left Rawene to-day for Auckland, together with the military contingent. Hone Toia, when before the Court, said he desired to express his thanks for the manner in which the natives had been treated since they had been under arrest.

Rear-Admiral Pearson, who has been interviewed at Christchurch, said the recent American victory at Manila was just what he expected. With reference to the visit of the Royal Arthur, he said he had come to look round and see for himself the different harbours, and form some idea of their defensiveness. He had not come, however, to inspect the defences, and had heard nothing about them.

NEWCASTLE.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NEWCASTLE, Friday.

The fortnightly meeting of the committee of the Newcastle Chamber of Commerce was held in the hall of the chamber, Scott-street, this afternoon. The president Mr. B. A. Wallace) presided, and there were also present Messrs. Keightly, Anderson, Fenwick, Hall, Earp, and Birkett (secretary). A further communication was received from the Sydney Chamber of Commerce on the subject of bills of lading, requesting the Newcastle body to assist in furthering the proposals outlined at the recent intercolonial conference of chambers. A lengthy discussion ensued, in the course of which it was contended that legislation was urgently needed to protect shippers and consignees from the unreasonable attitude assumed in many cases by shipowners. The action of the Sydney chamber in communicating with the Premier on the subject was endorsed, and it was resolved to urge the local members to use their utmost endeavours with a view to securing the passage of the proposed bill. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. G. F. Earp for the valuable evidence recently given by him before the Public Works Sectional Committee in advocacy of the construction of a line of railway from Narrabri to Walgett. Mr. O. K. Young was elected a member of the chamber, and a quantity of routine business was transacted.

COLLIERY FATALITY.

The Deputy-Coroner, Mr. M'Intyre, J.P., conducted an inquest at Ralph's Family Hotel, Watt-street, this morning, respecting the circumstances surrounding the death of a miner named William Thomas, who died in the Newcastle Hospital on the previous day. The evidence tended to show that the deceased received severe injuries by a fall of coal whilst working in the Glebe Pit on the 2nd instant. He was conveyed to the hospital as speedily as possible, but despite every attention gradually succumbed to his injuries. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The quantity of coal exported to foreign and intercolonial ports during the week ended to-day totalled 51,397 tons, as compared with 41,866 tons last week, an increase of 9531 tons. The distribution was as follows:—Victoria, 11,681 tons; Western Australia, 418 tons; Tasmania, 1800 tons; Chili, 10,988 tons; South Australia, 7975 tons; New Zealand, 1593 tons; Java, 2128 tons; Honolulu, 1776 tons; ships' use, 330 tons; Manila, 3728 tons; United States, 8980 tons. Total, 51,397 tons.

The oratorio "Lazarus, of Bethany" was rendered by a choir of 50 voices at St. John's Church of England, Darby-street, last night. There was a large congregation, and during the course of the evening the Bishop of Newcastle (Dr. Stanton) delivered a brief address.

The annual report of the Hamilton Bowling Club shows that the membership has now increased to 35. The receipts during the past year totalled £35 14s 6d, and the expenditure amounted to £28 10s 8d.

The Miners' Delegate Board has arranged for a deputation representing the whole of the mining districts of the colony to wait upon the Premier at an early date, for the purpose of asking him to carry out the recommendations of the recent coal miners' conference held in Sydney.

The German steamer Solingen arrived here to-day from Sydney to load 2200 tons coal and 70 horses for Singapore.

A second meeting of colliery managers of the district was held at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday to consider what attitude shall be assumed in regard to the instructions recently issued by Mr. A. A. Atkinson, chief inspector of collieries, calling upon all managers of mines to keep the ventilating machinery continuously in operation. The meeting was held with closed doors, but it is understood that the managers are determined to resist this innovation on the custom of the district.

The bazaar in aid of the funds of the Wickham Primitive Methodist Church, which was opened yesterday afternoon, was continued to-night. A large sum has already been realised. The total debt of the church is £734.

Arrangements have been completed for the establishment of steamship communication between Newcastle and the Clarence. The new service will be shortly initiated.

At a meeting of the Dudley committee of the Dudley Colliery disaster relief fund held last night, the mine manager, Mr. Hugh Humphreys, together with the Rev. R. J. Thomas and Messrs. Kinloch and Williams, was appointed to confer with the Maitland committee for the purpose of arranging for the distribution of the funds raised at that centre.

Mr. Curley, the miners' secretary, has been approached by a deputation representing the distressed Dudley miners, who have been out of employment for six weeks, owing to the closing down of the pit. The question of affording relief is to be discussed at the next meeting of the delegate board.

A miner named William Thomas, who was injured by a fall of coal at the Glebe pit on the 2nd instant, died in the Newcastle Hospital yesterday.

TRAGEDY NEAR LOUTH.

BOURKE, Friday.

A tragedy is reported from Stoney Creek, 11 miles below Louth. The report states that two blackfellows quarrelled, one eventually killing the other by inflicting fearful blows on the head with a tomahawk. An account of the occurrence was given to the Louth police by a man named Cain, who stated that he saw the fallen man lying in a pool of blood. When the police reached the spot both aboriginals were missing; but after a diligent search a man was captured. He subsequently confessed that he killed his companion. Further inquiries elicited the information that he placed the body in a blanket weighted with stones, and threw it into the river. Dragging was resorted to at a spot indicated by a blackfellow, and the body was recovered. There are four deep wounds on the head. The coroner, Mr. J. F. Kenyon, left for Louth to-day for the purpose of holding an inquest.

WINTER WEATHER.
If you are subject to colds or a chill a specially good thing to keep in the house is Wolfe's Schnapps. Try it hot with a slice of lemon at bedtime.—Advt.

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SECOND EDITION.

LATEST WAR NEWS.

THE CAPE VERDE SQUADRON.

LONDON, May 13, 3.36 p.m.

Both American and Spanish accounts now agree in stating that the Cape Verde squadron, concerning the movements of which there has been much mystery, has arrived at the Island of Martinique, in the French West Indies.

RIOTS IN ITALY.

PETROLEUSES TAKING AN ACTIVE PART.

LONDON, May 13.

Desperate rioting has taken place at Mouza, Pisa, Treviso, and Genzamo, in Italy.

Hundreds of frenzied petroleuses were conspicuous in the riots at Pisa.

Half the country is under martial law.

The army remains loyal.

SILVER.

LONDON, May 13.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 2s 2¼d per ounce standard.

THE AGRICULTURAL AND PASTORAL CONFERENCE.

ROCKHAMPTON, Friday.

The Agricultural and Pastoral Conference was concluded to-day. Papers on subjects affecting agriculture were read and discussed. A discussion resulted on the question of sugar bounties introduced in a paper by Mr. A. Henry, representative of the Herbert River Farmers' League, strongly advocating an appeal to the British Government to impose countervailing duties. The majority of the speakers supported Mr. Henry's views. A suggestion was made that Queensland should appeal to the other Australian Governments to place a duty on bounty-fed sugars. The Minister for Agriculture in closing the discussion pointed out that while there was a concensus of opinion that bounties on sugar were iniquitous, it was important to remember that Queensland granted bounties on butter exported to London, and the stockowners of Central Queensland were now unanimously desiring the Government to grant a bonus on chilled meat. A resolution embodying the views of the meeting was passed with only one dissentient. During a discussion on wheat growing, Mr. Benson, wheat expert, stated that the Government intended devoting extreme care to the raising of wheats best adapted for this climate on the experimental farms throughout the colony. A resolution was passed that the Government should proclaim a neutral zone in order to allow bulls, rams, and stallions to travel by train along the Southern and Western railway line, and declaring places where these are kept in quarantine for 31 days before being trucked. A resolution was also passed approving of the Government placing £10,000 upon the estimates for the purpose of granting a bonus of a farthing in the £ on chilled meat exported.

TASMANIAN MINING.

HOBART, Friday.

To-day's Exchange quotations were:—Clifton, buyer 1s; Curtin and Davis, buyer 1s 4d; Hercules, buyer 22s 6d, seller 25s; South Hercules, buyer 8d; Mount Lyell, buyer £12 10s; Lyell Consols, buyer 5s; Lyell Extended, buyer 10s; Central Lyell, buyer 6d; Glen Lyell, buyer 5d, seller 10d; Lyell Tharsis, buyer 22s 6d, seller 24s 6d; North Mount Lyell, buyer 50s, seller 55s; Mount Reid, buyer 11s; Oonah, buyer 6s, seller 6s 9d; Silver Queen, buyer 4s, seller 5s; Colebrook, buyer 9s, seller 10s; Mount Bischoff Proprietary, seller 4s 3d.

COUNTRY NEWS.

COURT OF REVIEW.

NOWRA, Friday.

Judge Murray this morning opened a Court of Review for hearing appeals against the land tax assessment. There are some 28 cases on the list. After hearing several, in which the decisions were reserved, the Court adjourned.

THE DAIRIES' SUPERVISION ACT.

COBARGO, Friday.

At the local police court to-day a dairyman was proceeded against under the Dairies' Supervision Act on a charge of having a dairy in an insanitary condition. Evidence of the police and Inspector Robinson revealed a filthy and disgraceful condition of dairy premises. It being the first case of the kind tried in the district the Bench inflicted a nominal fine of £1 and costs.

ANTHRAX INFECTED SHEEP.

MUDGEE, Friday.

The anthrax infected sheep travelling from Cobar to Bathurst, which were found when near Gulgong to be infected with Cumberland disease, reached Mudgee yesterday under orders of Stock Inspector Crocker, who laid informations against the owner for breaches of the Sheep Diseases Acts.

BROKEN HILL, Friday.

The New South Wales Government is considering the question of the purchase of the Tarrawingee railway, covering 42 miles, from Broken Hill to Tarrawingee. The price asked by the company, which has ceased traffic, is £15,000. Mr. Alexander, an officer from the Government, arrived here to-day to report upon the matter.

A Chinese mission school has been started here. There are at present 12 Chinese undergoing instruction.

A special meeting of the municipal council was held last night to consider the annual assessments, valuations, and estimates. The assessments were opposed by the labour aldermen, led by Mr. Wright. The meeting was a stormy one, and eventually a policeman had to be brought into the chamber and kept there until the end of the meeting.

Mr. Woodhead, managing director of the British mine, arrived here on Thursday, and left for Adelaide by this evening's express. He said the adjustments of the mine are well towards completion, and there was every prospect of active operations being resumed on Tuesday or Wednesday at the latest, when he is hopeful that very much better work will be accomplished. Mr. Eustace, mining engineer, under whose supervision the adjustments were made, will probably remain a little time longer to see that everything runs smoothly.

DUBBO, Friday.

The Railway Commissioners (Messrs. Oliver, Fehon, and Kirkcaldie) made their annual inspection of the Dubbo railway station on Wednesday afternoon. During their stay they were interviewed by the directors and manager of the Dubbo Co-operative Milling Company regarding the frequent loss sustained by them on consignments of flour and produce through the department marking the consignment notes "not counted." Although the consignments are correct weight when consigned from here the company are frequently called upon to make good shortages in the number of bags when they reach their destination. The grievance is a general one with various milling companies throughout the colony, and Mr. Oliver promised to have the matter carefully inquired into and, if possible, remedy the grievance.

The Dubbo Pastoral and Stock Protection Board has made an assessment of 15s per 1000 sheep, and 3d per head in large stock for 1898, and offer the following bonuses for scalps:—Dingoes, 20s; dingo pups, 5s; wallabies, hares, kangaroo rats, and crows, 1d each.

The Canonbar Board has made an assessment of 2s 6d per 1000 sheep, and 1d per head on large stock, and offer as follows for scalps:—Dingoes, 20s; pups, 5s; tame dogs running wild, 5s; pigs, 6d; kangaroo rats, 2d; wallabies and crows, 1d.

GRAFTON, Friday.

By the purchases of fat cattle at the northern stations of New South Wales it is expected the Ramornie Meatworks will be kept employed to the end of August, even though supplies be stopped from Queensland by reason of the tick trouble.

MUDGEE, Friday.

A death, emphasising the danger of working in foul air, has just occurred. The victim is a young man named Alfred M'Grath, of Merrendee. Deceased had been working in a mine where foul air was known to exist, and ate a hearty meal at night. The food on the foul air induced inflammation of the stomach, which terminated fatally, despite medical attention.

ORANGE, Friday.

At an inquest held to-day on the body of Andrew Murdoch, found dead in a tent at the deviation works, a verdict of death from tuberculosis, aggravated by congestion of the lungs, was returned.

PENRITH, Friday.

Lord Hampden and suite came here to-day and visited Mulgoa on a shooting expedition. The party got into a paddock where there were some deer and after firing 30 shots they secured three deer.

A large number of Penrith people visited the Hawkesbury show to-day.

LATE SHIPPING.

ARRIVAL.—May 14.

Lorna, s., 1188 tons, Captain Wm. Ellis, from Melbourne.

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FEDERATION.

THE PREMIER'S SPEECH CRITICISED.

MR. BARTON ON THE SPEECH.

THE QUESTION OF MAJORITY RULE.

MR. R. E. O'CONNOR CONDEMNS THE FEDERAL COUNCIL.

A NERVELESS AND EFFETE BODY.

WHY NEW SOUTH WALES KEPT OUT OF IT.

JUBILATION OF THE ANTI-BILLITES.

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL CONDEMNED BY THE ANTI-BILLITES.

Naturally there was great jubilation yesterday in the ranks of the anti-billites when they read the Premier's sweeping condemnation of the Commonwealth Constitution Bill in his speech on the previous evening at Goulburn. There was also a corresponding depression of spirits amongst the supporters of the bill, but after a second reading of the speech and carefully weighing the alternative offered by Mr. Reid in the event of the bill being rejected they rallied somewhat, and became confident that they would be able to prove conclusively to the people that it would be much better for them to accept the Commonwealth Constitution Bill with its complete machinery for the administration of responsible government than to cast it aside for the nerveless and effete Federal Council.

INTERVIEW WITH MR. BARTON.

A representative of the "Herald" yesterday waited upon Mr. Barton, Q.C., M.L.C., to ascertain his views upon the speech delivered at Goulburn by the Premier. In answer to the question as to the light in which he viewed Mr. Reid's speech Mr. Barton said—"That hon. gentleman admitted in his speech that you cannot get a Convention together except on the basis of equal representation. He also appears to admit that the necessary result of a Convention so composed is that there shall be equal representation in one of the Federal Houses of Parliament. If that is so, and as the other colonies desire that the equal representation in one House shall be effective, it is quite clear Mr. Reid is right in saying that the other colonies made an enormous concession in agreeing to the deadlock provisions in the bill. If the other colonies desire two Chambers they would never consent to render the Chamber representing their separate existence totally ineffective. The other colonies admit that the bill deprives the Senate of any right of definite veto, and what they desire is not aggressive power, but self-defence. To make the representation in both Chambers proportionate would deprive the smaller colonies of all power of self-defence, and would make the aggressive power of the larger colonies absolute and complete. Representation of any sort in the Senate simply means the power to delay legislation until argument and public controversy are exhausted. When that happens there comes a point where the Senate can no longer hold out. It is idle to suppose the existence of a peculiar epidemic which will lead to eight members of the House of Representatives being absent from the joint sitting of the two Chambers. But even if eight out of the 64 members of the popular Chamber were absent from the joint sitting there would still be 56 left, and as the total number of members at the joint sitting under those circumstances would be 86, it follows that the 56 members of the House of Representatives would exceed the three-fifths majority necessary to settle the deadlock. Unless the Senate has the limited power of delaying legislation equal representation is valueless. Then what is the use of Mr. Reid talking about a further Convention?"

"What is your opinion of Mr. Reid's suggestion about the Federal Council?"

"On that point one awaits with curiosity to hear what the anti-billites have to say to the proposition. The root of their manifesto is proportional representation in both Chambers, which is equivalent to having only one Chamber. How do the advocates of proportional representation in both Chambers view the idea of a one-chamber Federal Council based on the principle of equal representation of the different States? If Mr. Reid proposes to enlarge the basis of the Federal Council he is again met with the difficulty he admits, namely, that the States will not give up some form of equal representation. If it is proposed to give the Federal Council something like true Parliamentary government, an Executive will be necessary, and that will involve the power of the purse being lodged somewhere. Then wherein will the enlarged Federal Council on such lines differ from a complete federation? If, then, Mr. Reid wishes to enlarge the Federal Council, so as to make it an effective form of popular government, he had better take federation whilst he can get it."

"It is said by Mr. Reid that New South Wales is being called upon to make sacrifices."

"The sacrifices of New South Wales will not be greater than those of any other State. Every colony will have to give up some internal control, but the proportion which we give up is not greater than that of the other colonies. It is true there may be a federal surplus, but that depends on the policy of the Federal Parliament, and New South Wales, with 25 members in the money Chamber, will have most to say as to what that policy should be. Whilst Mr. Reid sees there will be a federal surplus, he does not suggest there will be burdens of which the people may be relieved by utilising her portion of the surplus. Do we never raise loans for public works which may be of some use, but are not reproductive? Have not all Governments somewhat sinned in the way of burdening the people permanently for temporary objects? Mr. Reid does not suggest that we are year by year turning our land into money and calling it income. It would be a wise thing if we could apply the money, or much of it, to the replacement of capital by establishing a sinking fund against the public debt. Are we satisfied that none of our land is needlessly sold? Are we satisfied that our own financing is not reckless in failing to make provision for the future? Are we satisfied that our means of internal communication could not be improved, and producers given greater facilities to reach their markets? All these things would cost money, hence it will be easily seen that a federal tariff, which will give New South Wales a surplus, is not one that would necessarily injure her producers and consumers, or impair that public credit with which she has often dealt in a light-hearted fashion."

INTERVIEW WITH MR. R. E. O'CONNOR.

In view of the Premier's special allusion to the Federal Council as a body which New South Wales might very well join if she rejected the Federal Constitution Bill, a representative of the "Herald" saw Mr. R. E. O'Connor yesterday, with the object of ascertaining his opinion as to the value of the alternative held out to the people of the mother colony. In reply to the question as to whether he considered the Federal Council would be an efficient substitute for the Commonwealth Constitution, Mr. O'Connor replied emphatically in the negative. He added, "One fact stands out clearly in all the controversy over the bill, and that is the federalists of all shades of opinion will be satisfied with nothing less than a constitution which will create a nation. We may differ as to the manner in which that nationality should be achieved; but there can be no doubt as to the universal desire of the bulk of the people of Australia for a national union. Under those circumstances I feel assured they would not be content with the Federal Council, which, during its existence, was a nerveless and effete body. Its constitution was the loosest and weakest form of confederation possible. It was formed by the appointment of members from State legislatures. They were not directly chosen by the people, and were not responsible to them, and curiously enough the Federal Council was formed on the principle of equal Sate representation which is so much decried by the opponents of the present bill. A weakness in the scheme is that any colony in the Federal Council could withdraw at any time. During the 13 years it was in existence it passed some 13 enactments, two or three of which related to fisheries outside Australian limits, and quarantine laws; but there was not a single enactment which could be said to express on any important matter the feelings or national aspirations of the people represented. So far as I can see no modification or enlargement of its constitution would ever bring it into line with the national aspirations of the people of Australia. As a matter of fact New South Wales kept out of the Federal Council simply because of her desire for a larger and more complete union, hence you can weigh the value of the suggestion that she should, if the present bill was rejected, turn her eyes towards a union she has already refused to enter."

THE ANTI-CONVENTION BILL VIEW.

INTERVIEW WITH MR. E. D. MILLEN, M.L.A.

In the absence of Mr. J. H. Want, M.L.C., in the northern portion of the colony, where he is addressing public meetings in opposition to the bill, a representative of the "Herald" yesterday had an interview with Mr. E. D. Millen, M.L.A., as the most prominent member of the political organisation that is fighting the bill. In answer to the question as to what he thought of Mr. Reid's speech, Mr. Millen said: "I regard Mr. Reid's speech as a splendid exposition of the more serious faults of the bill. The particular strength of the speech rested in the extreme moderation with which all the points were brought out. The contribution was one of the most valuable yet made to the controversy, and I feel convinced that any man who puts his previous convictions on one side and carefully considers the speech will come to no other conclusion than that it would be disastrous for New South Wales to accept the measure, more particularly as Mr. Reid makes it quite clear that the decision on June 3 is 'not federation or no federation,' but this bill or the prospect of something better. It appears to me that the time which has elapsed between Mr. Reid's first speech in the Sydney Town Hall and the one on Thursday night has had the effect of accentuating in Mr. Reid's mind the dangers which he so forcibly referred to in his earlier utterance. There is one point, however, which it appears Mr. Reid, as well as many others, have overlooked or ignored, and that is that the constitution practically leaves any State at liberty to subsidise any particular industry by means of reduced railway rates, which are really a bounty or bonus under another name. That is what Victoria is doing at the present time with regard to her coal industry. Therefore Mr. Reid's statement that Victoria was not likely to agree to any additional bounties or bonuses between now and June 30 loses much of its force."

"How do you view Mr. Reid's statement as to what will happen in the event of the bill being rejected?"

"I regard his statement that what will happen in the event of the bill being rejected as being full of hope for the future of federation. It is quite evident that Mr. Reid will continue his efforts to bring about a closer union between the colonies should the bill be defeated, and upon lines which he can more or less cordially approve, and which are likely to be more generally acceptable to the people of the larger colonies."

"How do you expect to convince the smaller States that the larger ones will not consent to federate unless the smaller ones are content to accept reduced terms?"

"If New South Wales rejects the bill," observed Mr. Millen, "it will be a plain intimation to the smaller States that whilst the mother colony is willing to treat them with every possible liberality, she is not prepared to purchase union at the sacrifice of too much revenue."

"Do you consider the Federal Council would be a satisfactory substitute for the proposed Commonwealth?"

"For New South Wales to join the Federal Council may or may not be an immediate practical benefit; but I am convinced that such a partial union will never be regarded as satisfactory or sufficient. What is desired is a complete union, and not a partial one, in respect of all matters which are distinctly national. The Federal Council would distinctly fail to accomplish that end. The Commonwealth Constitution, though to a smaller extent, also fails to carry out the complete union for those limited objects which every true federalist professes to desire."

Mr. Barton left last evening for Gundagai, where he will address a meeting this afternoon at half-past 2 o'clock. At the conclusion of his speech he will return to Cootamundra, and address a meeting there this evening. On Monday morning he will leave Cootamundra for Hay. As the train stops at Narrandera 30 minutes he will address a meeting on the station platform. Hay will be reached shortly after 5 o'clock, and the same evening he will address a public meeting. On his way back from Hay on Tuesday Mr. Barton will address an open-air meeting near the Narrandera railway station. On Wednesday he speaks at Bourke, on Thursday at Dubbo, on Friday at Orange, and will return to Sydney next Saturday.

The Murrurundi branch of the New South Wales Federal Association has issued a manifesto to the electors of that division. It sets forth in a concise and intelligent form the leading features of the bill, and amongst those who have signed it is Sir Joseph Abbott, one of the federal delegates.

A manifesto dealing with the question of bounties has been issued by the Newcastle branch of the New South Wales Federal Association. The document sets out in clear and unmistakeable terms that Victoria will not be able to impose prohibitive wharfage dues on New South Wales coal, or to charge unjust preferential rates on such coal, or to charge more for carrying Newcastle coal than for carrying Victorian coal, since that would be an "unjust preference" and a breach of inter-State freetrade. On the other hand, low rates for long distances are not forbidden, so that New South Wales will not be prevented from carrying her coal to the border at any rate which will give a profit to the railways.

Mr. R. E. O'Connor, M.L.C., left last evening by the Brisbane mail train for Tenterfield, where he will speak this evening. On Monday he will address a public meeting at Inverell. Singleton will be visited on the 19th, and Tamworth probably on the 20th. Mr. O'Connor hopes, before returning to Sydney, to also speak at Quirindi. He is also arranging to make a tour in the southern districts.

The Colonists' Anti-Convention Bill League has received a communication from Mr. J. H. Want, who states that he spoke at Ballina, Murwillumbah, Lismore, and other places, and in each instance received a patient hearing. He adds that wherever he had been the opinion was divided with regard to the bill.

MR. SYDNEY SMITH AT BATHURST.

HE OPPOSES THE BILL.

BATHURST, Friday.

To-night Mr. Sydney Smith, M.L.A., addressed a meeting on the subject of federation. The Mayor (Alderman Kenny) was in the chair, and there was a very fair attendance. Mr. Smith said his object was to say a few words on the all-important question of federation. He felt he had to perform a duty which might be somewhat unpleasant as some of his supporters were perhaps opposed to his views in this matter. He had conscientious convictions and intended to express his opinions. He had been a federationist long before many of the present champions were known as such. He was a colleague of Sir Henry Parkes who had first imparted life to the movement, and was now in the Ministry whose worthy chief had given practical shape to the agitation for the Commonwealth. Nobody could accuse him of any want of desire to see federation accomplished. He refused to take a seat on Mr. Barton's platform at Bathurst and to take part in the proceedings; but as that might have laid him open to misconception afterwards he declined to accede to the request, feeling that certain opinions would be expressed with which he could not agree. He claimed for the Government credit for the appointment of a board to inquire into the financial question, and said that the result of the investigation would be an explanation of many matters requiring elucidation. Dealing with the labours of the Convention he said nobody could complain of the selection of the delegates made by the electors; but he doubted whether all they had done would be endorsed. He took special objection himself to the proposal which gave to 2,000,000 of people only 20 representatives, while the 700,000 which constituted the combined population of the smaller States would have 30. He saw danger also in the attitude of the Convention with regard to the rivers, and thought there should be some clear definition of the meaning of "reasonable use" before the terms of the bill were acceded to. He was opposed to handing over the railways to the federal control, or to any alteration which would allow the Riverina country, with its railway system, to pass away from our control. He thought the bounty clauses in the bill required explanation before they gave their adhesion to its provisions. His contention was that the bill did not give the Commonwealth control of bounties for all future time, but the control of all the bounties in existence when the Commonwealth was constituted. If this view was correct, then he objected to the bill on that ground, because it would make New South Wales pay too dearly for other people's luxuries. Mr. Smith dealt at length with the opinion of Sir George Turner on this aspect of federation. Referring to equal representation in the Senate he said he did not think that the inequality there was too great to enable the voice of the people to prevail in any great emergency. He objected to the powers of the Senate in regard to money bills, contending that while it had a right to make suggestions, it could throw out any measure, no matter how important. Mr. Reid and others tried to take this power from the Senate, but they were outvoted. Mr. Smith spoke against the clauses providing for an alteration of the constitution, and contended that under them the people of New South Wales and Victoria were placed in an unfair position. On this ground he could not support the bill. As to the cost of federation he thought the Convention estimates were largely exceeded by the Federal Finance Commission. He had always been an advocate for direct taxation, and he was as strong a freetrader now as he ever was, because he had had opportunities of witnessing the progress of the colony under its freetrade policy, and its pre-eminence over the whole of the other colonies. They could not separate freetrade and protection when dealing with this question. On the basis of a £6,000,000 tariff, federation would mean the imposition of an additional 25 per cent. duty on all goods imported into this country. Believing this, he could not honestly and conscientiously record his vote in favour of the bill. However much he would like to give it his support, deeming it to be wrong in the interests of the country to accept it, he felt he could not recommend its adoption by the people. On the motion of Dr. Bassett a vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Smith with acclamation.

DR. BEVAN AT ASHFIELD.

There was a large and enthusiastic gathering in the Ashfield School of Arts Hall last evening to hear the Rev. Dr. Bevan deliver an address in favour of the Constitution Bill of 1898. The Mayor of Ashfield (Alderman F. J. Josephson) presided.

Dr. Bevan, who met with a cordial reception, said he came before them as no politician with an axe to grind, but as a simple citizen, animated by a desire to do the best in the interests of his country. (Applause.) He regretted the divisions that kept the colonies apart. In federating they would be doing no new thing. They would be undoing the evils of the past. (Hear, hear.) During the 12 years he had spent in Australia he had seen a marked advance in the federal spirit, and this was peculiarly marked by the claim to be known as ardent federationists made by the opponents of the proposed measure. The local opposition to federation surprised him. Mr. Reid's attitude he regretted, and he thought that the Premier had nearly made the one great mistake of his life by the course he adopted towards the bill. Mr. Reid ought to have been the pioneer of the movement. That gentleman might have had his hand on the helm of federated Australia. The practical outcome of Mr. Reid's speech was that although he did not approve of the measure he wanted New South Wales to accept it. Mr. Reid was going to vote for it, and thus it was evident that he wished others to do so. Dealing with the attitude of business men who opposed the measure he held that they should place their business relations second to the interests of their country. (A voice: "Bosh.") The man who cried "bosh" was not of the stuff of which great nations were raised. (Hear, hear.) One thing at which the speaker was greatly surprised was the opposition shown to the Senate by the democratic people of New South Wales, who hugged to their bosoms and would not part with it an Upper Chamber in their Parliament which was a nominee Chamber. Before concluding his remarks he said that freetrade was nothing like so dead in Victoria as it was a decade since. He eulogised the services to the cause of freetrade in this colony by Mr. Reid, and wished he might hold on hard to the cause so as to obtain even freetrade with the outside world as well as intercolonial freetrade. (Applause.)

Mr. Waddell, M.L.A., moved, and Mr. A. C. Beale seconded, a resolution affirming the desirability of accepting the Convention Bill, which was carried by an overwhelming majority. Votes of thanks to the chairman and cheers for Dr. Bevan concluded the proceedings.

ELECTORS ENROLLED.

The complete returns of the additional rolls are not yet available, but it is now estimated that it will be found when the figures are completed that there are about 20,000 electors on the additional rolls. This added to the 277,000 on the general rolls brings up the total very nearly to 300,000.

TAXATION UNDER FEDERATION.

"Inquirer" writes as follows:—"Sir,—The reason that many are undecided how to vote on this question (if not intending opponents of the cause) on polling day is that prior to the income and property taxes they bore so much burden only as filtered through their personal and housekeeping expenses, and this undoubtedly did not press heavily on the general community. In those days expenditure by Governments was enormous and wasteful. This condition of things has been stopped in its more objectionable forms, and certainly money has not been spent in nearly the same huge proportions, nor is it expected it will be in the future. Well, if the property and income taxes are a tangible and direct weight and there is to be in addition the impost, of necessity under federation, of custom duties of whatever nominal rate, yet in practice 50 to 100 per cent. more to the final purchasers, can you wonder if people halt? Is it intended to remit either the income or land tax? The latter is the more objectionable of the two to have imposed. If this can be answered positively, then many in doubt will know the readier how to act on voting day."

Our reply is that the questions "Inquirer" raises will be for the consideration of the electors of New South Wales after the federation is accomplished, and it will be in the power of the electors of New South Wales to determine the question of New South Wales taxation just as they please.

N.S.W. FEDERAL ASSOCIATION.—SOUTH SYDNEY BRANCH.

A meeting of the South Sydney branch of the New South Wales Federal Association was held at the School-hall, Riley and Devonshire streets, Surry Hills, last night. Mr. C. W. Coulter presided. Mr. F. E. M'Lean, M.L.A., who was well received, spoke strongly in favour of the Commonwealth Bill, and referred to it as a most favourable and advantageous measure for the federation of the colonies. That there would have to be sacrifices was true, but that the sacrifices were so extensive or so generally disadvantageous to this colony was absolutely untrue.

On the motion of Mr. John Donovan, seconded by Mr. J. Williams, the following motion was unanimously carried:—"That this meeting approves of the Commonwealth constitution as drawn up by the Federal Convention, and resolves to give the bill its hearty support by voting for it, and by using its influence to secure its adoption."

PADDINGTON FEDERAL ASSOCIATION.

Last evening, at Barnett's Hotel, Glenmore-road, Paddington, a public meeting was held under the auspices of the Paddington Branch of the New South Wales Federal Association. The Mayor of the borough (Alderman T. J. West) presided. Mr. S. A. Byrne, secretary of the branch, delivered an address, during which he dwelt principally upon some of the objections to the bill. Messrs. John White, J.P., and J. M'Lachlan also addressed the meeting, which was brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the Mayor for presiding.

ALDERMAN CHENHALL AT HELENSBURGH.

On Thursday evening Alderman Chenhall delivered an address in support of the Convention Bill, to what was generally considered to be the largest and most enthusiastic meeting that has been held there for some years. Mr. Robert Dowson occupied the chair. Alderman Chenhall, who met with a very cordial reception, spoke for nearly two hours in support of the bill, and was frequently applauded. At the conclusion of the address a resolution was moved,—"That this meeting, having heard the principles of the Federal Constitution Bill of 1898 explained, is of opinion that the measure is just and liberal, and well fitted to be the constitution of the free people of Australia." An amendment on the motion was moved, declaring against the bill, but no seconder was forthcoming, and the original motion was carried with only one dissentient.

MESSRS. PIDDINGTON AND WADE AT NORTH SYDNEY.

Last night, in the North Sydney School of Arts, Messrs. A. B. Piddington and C. G. Wade addressed the electors in opposition to the Commonwealth Bill, under the auspices of the Anti-Convention Bill League. The chair was occupied by Mr. E. M. Clark, M.L.A., who, in introducing the speakers, stated he could not accept the bill.

Mr. Wade opened by remarking that though the majority present had read Mr. Reid's speech, there were still no doubt some with a lingering hope that the bill would be accepted. He, however, hoped that he would convince them, or rather those open to conviction, that the bill was dangerous to New South Wales, and this colony would be called upon to do the banking business for the whole of the other colonies. He then proceeded to criticise the bill.

Mr. A. B. Piddington spoke at length on the constitutional aspect of the bill.

After a motion protesting against the acceptance of the bill had been declared carried, the meeting terminated.

MEETING AT SOUTH SYDNEY.

Dr. Hodgson addressed a meeting from the balcony of Davis's Park View Hotel, Rose and Myrtle streets, South Sydney. He explained various clauses of the Commonwealth Bill. He believed the antagonism to the Federal Bill had been conceived in ignorance, and he strongly urged the electors to vote for the bill.

MEETING AT WATERLOO.

A meeting of the residents of Waterloo was held last evening in the local Town Hall to listen to addresses against the Federal Convention Bill delivered by the Hon. C. G. Heydon, M.L.C., and other gentlemen. The chair was occupied by Mr. George Anderson, M.L.A.

Mr. Heydon, who was received with applause, proceeded to explain the reasons why, in his opinion, the bill should be rejected by the people of this colony.

The Chairman also addressed the meeting at some length.

A motion was carried that while the meeting is in favour of federation it is entirely opposed to the provisions of the Convention Bill of 1898.

MEETING AT NORTH BOTANY.

A largely attended meeting was held last evening in the North Botany Town Hall in opposition to the provisions of the Federal Convention Bill. The chair was occupied by the Mayor of the district (Alderman James Thornton). Addresses were delivered by Messrs. H. Levien and J. R. Dacey, Ms.L.A., who each spoke at considerable length in opposition to the measure.

MEETING AT HURSTVILLE.

Alderman John Norton addressed a crowded meeting at Hudson's Hall, Hurstville, on Thursday evening. The chair was occupied by Alderman John Sproule. Mr. Norton, at the outset, announced his determined opposition to the measure, which he characterised as the handiwork of lawyers with lawyers' dummies as assistants.

On the motion of Mr. Addis, a vote of thanks was conveyed to the speaker. A similar compliment was also accorded the chairman.

A meeting of the electors of Fitzroy Division was held at the Revolving Battery Hotel, Dowling-street, last night. The chair was occupied by Mr. Hugh Wilson, who announced that the object of the meeting was to select a candidate to contest the vacancy in the interests of the Commonwealth Bill. On the motion of Mr. F. J. Broomfield, seconded by Mr. Hawkins, Mr. P. J. Dorahy was unanimously requested to stand.

On Monday and Wednesday last week enthusiastic meetings in favour of federation were held in the Protestant Hall, Wyrallah. Delegates from Lismore attended the meetings, and advocated the acceptance of the bill. A leading agriculturist from Wyrallah writes under date 8th instant that the northern coastal districts will return a very large majority of votes in favour of federation under the Constitution Bill as now submitted.

Mr. D. Storey, M.L.A., is announced to address a meeting in the Paddington Town Hall on Monday evening.

MR. WANT AT BALLINA.

BALLINA, Friday.

The Hon. J. H. Want, Q.C., M.L.C., addressed a large meeting in the Australian Hall last evening, and was accorded a splendid reception. He vigorously denounced the Commonwealth Bill and asked the electors to wait for the Financial Commissioners' report before making up their minds to vote. He created a most marked impression on the audience. The local Federal Association has telegraphed an invitation to Mr. Barton to visit the district in defence of the bill.

ABERDEEN ADHERES TO THE BILL.

MUSWELLBROOK, Friday.

Mr. Chanter, M.L.A., delivered a very able address in support of the Commonwealth Bill in the School of Arts, Aberdeen, last night. The Mayor (Mr. M. C. M'Kenzie) occupied the chair. Mr. Chanter spoke for upwards of two hours, and his exposition of the proposed federal constitution was lucid, comprehensive, and convincing. A resolution in favour of the Commonwealth Bill was carried unanimously, and a strong branch of the Federal Association, with Mr. M'Kenzie president, Mr. Keet vice-president, and Mr. Starkey secretary, was formed. The residents of Aberdeen will vote solidly for the bill.

MR. ASHTON AT NARRANDERA.

NARRANDERA, Thursday.

Messrs. James Ashton and Arthur Rae addressed a meeting in the public hall, Narrandera, last night in opposition to the Federal Bill. Mr. Ashton, from his long connection with Narrandera, commanded the presence of a large and appreciative audience, including some ladies, and was listened to with considerable attention and respect. He attacked, with considerable eloquence, what he considered the various objectionable features in the bill. Mr. Arthur Rae also spoke. When the speakers had finished a number of federationists stepped forward, one after another, each with questions. The audience began to become expressive, and feeling evidently ran in favour of the bill. The speakers and their supporters became the object of attack from various sources.

Mr. W. R. Wilson moved a resolution in favour of the bill, and attacked Mr. Ashton's address. He said it was all ifs and supposes, and not one word was said of the gains of unity. Messrs. Ashton and Rae left the meeting, and disorder prevailed. After a lapse of time amidst the turmoil, when a show of hands was taken, the chairman announced the motion lost. The opinion on this was divided. Certainly many who voted against it thought they were voting for the bill. When the result was known three hearty cheers for united Australia were given, and the meeting dispersed in confusion.

UNANIMITY AT GERMANTON.

GERMANTON, Friday.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of electors was held last night to hear Mr. Dugald Thomson, M.L.A., on the Federation Bill. Mr. John Ross was chairman. Mr. Thomson was well received and frequently applauded, and his exposition was highly appreciated. He confined his remarks to those clauses which were objected to by the Anti-Federation League, and they were warmly approved. At the conclusion Mr. Edward Byrne proposed that the meeting approve of the Federation Bill, and pledged itself to vote for its acceptance. The motion was seconded by the Rev. Alexander M'Kinlay, and carried unanimously. The district was well represented, and is practically unanimous in favour of the Convention Bill.

OPPOSITIONISTS AT ORANGE.

ORANGE, Friday.

Mr. Heydon, M.L.C., and Mr. A. B. Piddington, M.L.A., addressed a meeting last evening from the anti-bill standpoint, the former speaking on the cost to this colony, and the latter on the constitutional aspect. Mr. Heydon omitted to mention any savings possible under the bill, giving only the cost as estimated by the opponents. Mr. Piddington dwelt on the representation in the Senate, contending the Senate should be in proportion to the population. The reception was only moderate. A motion affirming the desirability of union, but not under the bill, was declared carried, as about a third of the hands were held up for it and none against. It is understood that some prominent federationists will speak here shortly.

ENTHUSIASM AT COOLAMON.

COOLAMON, Thursday.

Last evening Mr. Thomas Fitzpatrick addressed a large audience in the Oddfellows' Hall on federation, supporting the present constitution bill. Mr. R. J. King occupied the chair. The speaker was listened to most attentively. A unanimous vote was carried in favour of federation, the meeting being very enthusiastic.

ANTI-BILLITES AT PICTON.

PICTON, Thursday.

Messrs. M'Court and Haynes, Ms.L.A., addressed a meeting in the Protestant Hall last night in opposition to the federation bill. Mr. J. W. M'Guigan was in the chair. The addresses occupied two hours and the speakers went fully into the objections and earnestly urged the electors to vote against the bill. At the conclusion they submitted a resolution to the effect that, although the meeting was desirous of federation, it opposed the provisions of the proposed bill. Two hundred were present, and all voted for the resolution.

THE BILL FAVOURED AT BLAYNEY.

BLAYNEY, Thursday.

Mr. J. T. Walker and Mr. G. H. Greene, M.L.A., delivered addresses to the electors in favour of federation under the constitution bill last night in the Town Hall. Alderman J. Russart, the Mayor, presided. Both speakers spoke at considerable length, and went through the bill, showing the various clauses of the measure in quite different light from what the anti-federalists speakers have done. They strongly denounced the statements made by some anti-federal speakers. At the conclusion of the speeches a motion was moved in favour of federation under the bill, which, on being put to the meeting, was carried, only three hands being held up against it. A large majority here appear in favour of federation.

SUPPORT FROM QUEANBEYAN.

QUEANBEYAN, Thursday.

Mr. F. B. Suttor addressed a meeting this afternoon, advocating the federation bill. He spoke for an hour and a half, and a resolution approving of the bill was carried unanimously. To-night he addressed a second meeting and was enthusiastically received. Queanbeyan will give a solid vote in favour of the bill.

THE CAMPAIGN IN VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

The federal campaign continues to be vigorously prosecuted. Meetings are being held throughout the town and country, at most of which resolutions were carried warmly commending the Commonwealth Bill. The tone of these meetings indicates the probable acceptance of the bill by the electors on June 3.

An anti-federation meeting was held at Brunswick Town Hall this evening, and was largely attended. Mr. Higgins, M.L.A., who was received with an outburst of cheering, condemned the Commonwealth Bill as too narrow and rigid. He considered the taking of the referendum vote should be postponed to allow time for further consideration; but, as the Premier had declined to agree to a postponement, the only way in which this end could now be gained was by opposing the measure. In his opinion the Premier's refusal to postpone the taking of the vote would result in thousands of electors voting against the measure. The Rev. J. W. Lormer seconded,—"That as the Draft Constitution Bill is undemocratic in its principle, it is unjurious to the Commonwealth, and this meeting cannot see its way clear to accept it." Mr. Hume Cook, M.L.A., rose to address the meeting in opposition to the resolution, but he was hooted and howled down. The resolution was carried.

The opposition in the Sale district is apparently weak. A public meeting convened by advertisement to arrange for the visit of Mr. M'Lean and Mr. Graham, Ms.L.A., to Sale to speak against the bill lapsed owing to the paucity of the attendance.

The Australasian Federation League has adopted a design for a federation badge, which, it is hoped, will be worn by those in favour of the federal cause as a distinctive proof of their support, and for the encouragement of others. The cheapest class of medal will be retailed at a price not exceeding 6d each.

ALBION PARK, Thursday.

Mr. Hughes, M.L.C., representing the Federal Council held a meeting here last night in the council-chambers, and spoke at great length in the interest of federation, the Mayor presiding. Mr. Hughes was well received, and at the close of the meeting received a hearty vote of thanks. A great many present, who were opposed to the Constitution Bill prior to the meeting, went away quite convinced that federation for the colonies was a step in the right direction. Though the night was very wet, the meeting was quite a representative one.

ALBURY, Thursday.

Mr. R. T. Ball, M.L.A., delivered an address to-night against the Commonwealth Bill. The Mayor occupied the chair. The attendance was not large. The speaker went over much the same ground as that traversed by Mr. Ashton, dealing especially with equal representation in the Senate, the financial provisions, and the deadlock clauses. The speaker was listened to patiently, and received a vote of thanks at the close. Three cheers were given for federation.

BEGA, Thursday.

Both the federationists and the anti-billites are working hard.

BOURKE, Friday.

An extraordinary amount of interest is taken in the forthcoming referendum upon the Constitution Bill.

CONDOBOLIN, Thursday.

Mr. Thomas Brown, member for Condobolin, and Mr. A. B. Piddington, member for Tamworth, addressed a meeting last night, in Roberts's Hall, in opposition to the Federal Constitution Bill. There was a good attendance. Mr. Piddington spoke at length. A resolution antagonistic to the bill was declared carried.

COOTAMUNDRA, Thursday.

Meetings were held yesterday at Muttama and Brawlin, and were addressed by the Mayor and Mr. J. Miller successfully for the bill.

DUBBO, Friday.

Mr. S. Phillips, M.L.A., has declared himself an opponent of the Federal Constitution Bill. Mr. James Morgan, the protectionist candidate at the forthcoming election, is, however, an avowed supporter of the measure.

GOSFORD, Friday.

On Wednesday night Mr. H. C. Wheeler, M.L.A., addressed a meeting at Smith's Hotel, Cooranbong, in opposition to the Federal Bill. Mr. P. Kelly presided. A resolution against the bill was carried unanimously.

Messrs. J. Thomas and H. C. Wheeler, Ms.L.A., delivered addresses at Yarramalong last night against the Federal Draft Bill. Mr. James Waters, J.P., occupied the chair. Both speakers were attentively listened to, and received a vote of thanks. It is now expected that the Northumberland electorate will poll a majority against the bill.

GOULBURN, Friday.

Mr. Rose, M.L.A., has addressed audiences at small places in his electorate, votes being carried against the Commonwealth Bill.

A meeting was held at the Town Hall this evening, and was attended by about 50 persons. A branch of the Anti-Convention League was formed, and officers were elected.

HOBART, Friday.

A meeting at North Hobart last evening, promoted by the Federal League, passed resolutions heartily supporting the Commonwealth Bill, and condemning the opposition thereto.

The committee appointed to investigate the various federal finance schemes before the public have arrived at the conclusion that Mr. R. M. Johnston, the Government Statistician, is substantially correct in his calculation of the revenue, and that the probable loss to the Tasmanian Treasury will be about £80,000 per annum, and thus practically Tasmania cannot afford to accept the finance scheme embraced in the Constitution Bill. A strenuous opposition campaign will now be commenced throughout the colony.

JERILDERIE, Thursday.

Mr. J. J. Keenan, from Sydney, addressed a meeting in the Mechanics' Institute last night on federation. Mr. Thomas Wise, J.P., presided. The speaker was listened to attentively. He dwelt on the principal sections of the bill, and severely criticised its opponents, Messrs. Lyne, Ashton, and others, for inconsistency. He was frequently applauded. At the conclusion the chairman called for a vote, and every hand was held up in favour of federation. Dr. Robinson moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Keenan for his able address.

LIVERPOOL, Friday.

M. Varney Parkes, M.L.A., addressed a meeting on federation last night in the Town Hall. Alderman Smith occupied the chair, and there was a fair attendance. He said that his bent was to assist to consummate an Act initiated by his father, but after a careful study of the bill by comparison with what he thought judicious he was forced to oppose it. His reasons of opposition were based upon the fact that New South Wales, the premier colony, would sacrifice her interests by federation under the bill for the benefit of the other States.

A show of hands was taken at the close of the address. Very few voted, but a majority was held up in favour of the bill.

LITHGOW, Friday.

The Hon. J. Cook speaks here to-morrow night on the Convention Bill, and at Wallerawang and Katoomba during the week. He will oppose the bill. The feeling here is much divided.

LAUNCESTON, Friday.

Speaking at Campbelltown last night, Sir Philip Fysh declared that so far as Tasmania was concerned the question was not what it would gain, but what it would lose by staying out. He entered into a long financial speech, and concluded by urging the adoption of the Constitution Bill. On the motion of the Rev. Mr. M'Dougall, seconded by Mr. Brown, member for the district, a favourable resolution was carried.

MACLEAN, Thursday.

A branch of the Federal Association was established here at a public meeting held last night, presided over by the Mayor. It has been arranged to send local lecturers into various centres as exponents of the Constitution Bill. Being the only leading politician to visit Maclean, Mr. J. H. Want will have a large meeting to-morrow night, the electors being anxious to hear what the opponents of the bill have to say, though they are not necessarily antagonistic to it.

MOSS VALE, Friday.

There is a great deal of interest being taken here by the people in this district on the question of federation. A large number appear to be inclined to support the bill. The address in opposition to the bill by Messrs. M'Court and Ashton, Ms.L.A., which was to have been given here last Friday evening, but was postponed on account of the inclemency of the weather, will be given in the Centennial Hall this evening. This will be the first address delivered here in opposition to the bill.

MUDGEE, Friday.

A large meeting was held in the Town Hall to-night, presided over by the Mayor (Alderman Tuckerman), and supported by leading citizens, to hear Mr. William C. Wall, the former member for the district, speak on federation. During his address the speaker pointed out the advantages of the movement. He spoke trenchantly of the critics of the bill, doubting their sincerity, on the one hand, and the ability, on the other, of those in opposition to frame a better constitution or one more suited to the colonies. Mr. Charles D. Meares proposed, and Mr. James Keegan seconded, a vote of thanks to Mr. Wall. No vote was taken with regard to the bill, but it was plainly apparent that the people are in favour of federation.

PARRAMATTA, Thursday.

Alderman J. W. Hill and Mr. John Thorpe addressed a meeting in the Centenary Hall, Parramatta, this evening, in favour of the Commonwealth Bill. Alderman Hill rebutted the idea that there would ever be a block vote in the Senate or the House of Representatives to the detriment of New South Wales, as vested interests alone would prevent the States from voting solidly. He urged that the fact of Mr. Coghlan having to prepare three sets of figures each differing from the other proved the instability of his figures. Mr. John Thorpe said that the patriotism of the members of Parliament who opposed the bill did not go farther than their breeches-pocket. If a clause had been inserted in the bill guaranteeing the present members £300 a year they would have been rushing all over the colony asking the people to vote for it.

PICTON, Friday.

Mr. Henry Willis addressed a representative meeting last night in favour of the Commonwealth Bill in the Protestant Hall. The Mayor (Alderman J. W. M'Quiggin) presided. After the address a resolution in favour of the bill was submitted but was lost, and a motion in opposition was carried by a substantial majority.

SCONE, Thursday.

Messrs. Chanter and Price, Ms.L.A., addressed a meeting of 200 people in the Oddfellows' Hall last night on the Commonwealth Bill. The Mayor was in the chair. Both had a splendid hearing. Mr. Chanter's exposure of the iniquitous border duties and stock tax and differential railway rates made a deep impression. A motion in favour of the bill was carried with only one dissentient. A number did not vote. The local federal league is working hard and a large vote will be polled.

TAMWORTH, Friday.

An influential public meeting was held in the council-chambers last evening, Mr. J. Denning, the president of the Protection Union, being in the chair. It was decided to form a branch of the New South Wales Federation Association to further the adoption of the draft constitution. Mr. Alex. Johnston was elected president, and Mr. Frank Wyndham secretary and treasurer. In response to an invitation, Mr. R. E. O'Connor will address a public meeting next Friday. The preponderance of public opinion here is favourable to the bill. Much disgust is expressed at the inconsistent attitude adopted by the Premier.

It is understood that Mr. R. E. O'Connor will address a public meeting here in support of the Commonwealth Bill next week. Public opinion in favour of the constitution is rapidly increasing. A heavy vote for its adoption is anticipated.

WAGGA, Thursday.

Mr. Ashton, M.L.A., addressed a large meeting in the Oddfellows' Hall here to-night in opposition to the Commonwealth Bill. Mr. L. S. Craksenthorpe, J.P., occupied the chair in the absence of the Mayor. Mr. Ashton, who was accorded a favourable reception, was patiently listened to. He recapitulated the arguments he has advanced elsewhere against the bill, dealing chiefly with the finance and deadlocks provisions. No vote was taken, but the meeting was not entirely with the speaker.

FEDERATION IN THE NORTH.—AN APPEAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—So far the efforts of the Grafton branch of the New South Wales Federal Association to obtain a prominent speaker to visit the Clarence River districts have failed, as neither Messrs. Barton, O'Connor, nor Wise can visit here, although urgently requested by our league. This state of things is truly deplorable, for while the great bulk of the electors favour the Commonwealth Bill hundreds of votes will be lost through the apathy of the people, who are all anxious to hear the views of the great leaders of the movement.

The spending of, say, a week in these Northern rivers would mean thousands of extra votes for the cause, while in the metropolis the opposition is so strong and bitter that the votes will be recorded as a matter of course.

As usual, the Northern districts are ignored and left to do as best they can; but those who are able to judge feel assured that if the people here were addressed by such a man as Mr. Barton we could materially assist in making up the 80,000. The anti-billites—to show they are alive—have sent their leader, Mr. Want, who speaks in several centres on these rivers, and will no doubt capture many wavering votes if no one is sent to reply to him. Surely some effort will be made by a prominent and able man to do this and the other districts.

I am, &c., JAS. C. WILCOX,
Hon. Secretary, Grafton Federal League.

THE INTER-STATE COMMISSION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The principal point in Mr. Garran's letter in your issue of the 10th is that contained in the last paragraph, when he contends for Mr. O'Connor that the provisions of clause 98 could be enforced by the High Court if the Inter-State Commission were not given power to control any federal railway. He fails to see, however, that the Commission, which must necessarily be antagonistic to our interests (as it is only created for that purpose), may be given by statute control over such railways, and then the High Court can only be appealed to on questions of law in regard to the decisions of the Commission; while, in addition, Parliament retains under clause 73 the authority to limit the jurisdiction of the Court, the wording of the clause being, "with such exception as Parliament prescribes." I have to thank Mr. Garran therefore for another opportunity of showing how all possible contingencies in the matter of securing control over the railways have been provided for by the clever men who represented the other colonies, under whose hands our delegates were as sculptor's wax.

The remainder of his letter is certainly a most ingenious attempt to show that in clause 98 the word "State" is intended to include "Commonwealth," and that consequently the clause, though only providing against one State being given a preference over another, would operate in hindering the federation from running a competitive line of railway, notwithstanding that the purport of the whole bill is to set the Commonwealth over the States, and especially over New South Wales.

I do not think therefore that Mr. Garran's arguments will carry conviction, especially among those who understand the invincible prejudice of Courts of law in favour of the literal interpretation of Acts of Parliament; but all this talk about clause 98 has failed to shake in the least degree the propositions I have put before your readers in my letters about the Convention Bill.

These were, first, that the end and aim of the Southern colonies, governing all their votes and actions about federation, were to secure a large and increasing share of the trade of Riverina and the adjacent districts; secondly, that the Convention made the clauses relating to the appointment of the Inter-State Commission indefinite and contradictory, in order that the voters in New South Wales might not be alarmed, and that the Federal Parliament could in due course clothe the Commission with arbitrary powers, enabling it to control effectively the rates and working of our railway system.

The former of these statements needed no proof. Everyone possessing any knowledge of business here is aware that if Melbourne secures this trade Sydney must sink into a subordinate position; while I adduced in support of the latter proposition the statements of Messrs. Deakin and Kingston (who would probably be members of the first Federal Ministry) as to the meaning placed on the clauses in question in the Southern colonies. Can anyone say that the advocates of the bill have shown that my contentions were wrong? The fact is they have not even attempted to prove this, but have sought by lengthy arguments about the ninety-eighth clause to divert attention from the main questions.

I do not complain of these tactics being adopted, for opinion has thus been influenced greatly against the bill. There is now, I think, good reason to believe that three out of four educated men in Sydney will vote against the measure, and of these a large proportion have been convinced that this course of action is the right one, because of the manifest inability of the speakers and writers on the federation side to show that the scheme is not in every respect unfair to New South Wales, and no such union can be strong and lasting which is not founded on equity and accepted by all parties after long consideration as a reasonable, safe, and fair arrangement. Who can justly describe the Convention Bill in these terms?

I am, &c.,
May 13. EDWARD W. KNOX.

EQUAL STATE REPRESENTATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—If it be true, as the opponents of the bill maintain, that sectional feeling among the representatives of the various States will be so strong as to give rise to sinister combinations of representatives, according to the States which they represent, to the detriment of the larger States in the Senate, then we must admit that such feeling will operate also in the House of Representatives. If the tendency of a senator will be to favour a fellow-senator from his own State, then, likewise, the tendency of a member of the House of Representatives will be to favour a fellow-representative from the same State. The influence of a large-State representative in the House of Representatives will be much greater than that of a small-State representative. A New South Wales representative, for example, will have what I may call preferential assistance from 24 other representatives; whereas a Tasmanian will have similar assistance from only four other representatives. Thus a New South Wales representative will have, other things being equal, six times the influence of a Tasmanian representative. A New South Wales quota, although equal only to a Tasmanian quota, will be much more efficiently represented in the House of Representatives. If the large States could be subdivided so as to make the States equal in point of population, this difficulty would be avoided as well as the difficulty as regards senatorial representation. But unfortunately it is impracticable for the same reason that unification is impracticable. We have therefore to submit to the undemocratic anomaly which gives to the larger State representatives a greater influence than they are entitled to on the basis of population in the House of Representatives. We should therefore, in the interest of the smaller States, and as a democratic corrective, submit to the counterbalancing anomaly of equal State representation in the Senate.

I am, &c., PERCY E. TIGHE.

MR. LYNE AND PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Mr. Lyne is working against equal States representation, and labours hard to refute your logical criticisms against him. Well now, Mr. Lyne, come away from federation and get back to protection, where you and I agree. "National Protection Union, William J. Lyne president. Delegates are allowed from every branch; one delegate, with fee paid, from each branch." "Central Union: Any man who pays 10s." Rules 3 and 12. Now, Mr. Lyne, do you call that equal States rights? Yes or no. If you want more apply to

A PROTECTIONIST SECRETARY.

THE SURPLUS BOGEY—FINANCES OF FEDERATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—It is generally admitted, I think, that the amount New South Wales is justly entitled to obtain from the Federal Government, after her share of the Commonwealth expenditure is deducted, is amply secured to the colony, for the first seven years at least, after the establishment of the proposed national Parliaments. That being so, it occurs to me that the electors of New South Wales will take such necessary measures through, and by the aid of their representatives in the local Parliaments, to change the present incidence of taxation, or the disposal of the income now obtained from various sources in this colony in such a way that long before the seven years have expired all the surplus accruing and received from the Federal Treasurer will be equally as necessary to New South Wales to enable her to balance her revenue and expenditure, as such surplus from the first inception of the Commonwealth is admittedly absolutely necessary to enable the other States to meet their liabilities. Assuming such changes as are requisite to bring about the above position of affairs be made in good time, there cannot be a scramble for the New South Wales portion of the surplus, because our colony will equally with the others require the full share of the surplus to which she with the other federating colonies will be justly entitled.

What the effect of any changes made would be, so far as this colony is concerned, space nor time does not make it convenient to deal with in this letter. It might be mentioned, however, that whatever the nature of the changes might be, same could only act beneficially to this colony.

I have not seen any reference by any of the speakers or writers on the federal question to the point to which I am now directing notice, and trust therefore that further attention and emphasis may be given to the fact that the electors of this colony have it within their power to deal promptly and effectively with what may fairly be called perhaps the "surplus bogey."

I am, &c.,
May 13. COSMOPOL.

PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

DUBBO, Monday.

Stock movements:—2000 wethers, Cobborah to Dubbo Refrigerating Company's Works, G. W. New owner; 20 head cattle, Berida to Dubbo, Berida Pastoral Company owners; 17 head cattle, Terra Bella to Dubbo, J. and A. Stevenson owners; 20 head cattle, Warren to Dubbo; 10 head draught horses, Coolah to Dubbo, Fitzgerald owner; 10 head draught horses, Bathurst to Dubbo, G. H. Pratley owner; 15 head draught horses, Cobborah to Dubbo, W. Bourke owner; 15 head cattle, Benalong to Dubbo, J. Tink owner; 500 young sheep, Marrumbidgerie to Dubbo, Anderson owner; 70 bullocks, Dubbo to Burraway, R. and A. Scott owners; 30 bullocks, Dubbo to Bain, Salter owner; 300 sheep, Murrumgundy to Dubbo, Edwards and Woodley owners; 750 fat sheep, Cumbogle to Flemington, Craig owner; 1800 sheep, to Dubbo Refrigerating Company's Works, Geddes, Burt, and Co. owners; 680 sheep (Gillendoon), Warren to Dubbo Refrigerating Company's Works, J. Walker, jun., owner. During the past fortnight 399 trucks sheep, 66 trucks cattle, and 12 trucks horses were consigned from stations between Bourke and Dubbo. Cadell and Co. held a successful sale of draught horses last week; prices ranged from £8 to £12 10s.

MOREE, Tuesday.

Stock passings are:—653 wethers and ewes, fat, from Gurley to Sydney; 2700 ewes, from Belara to Kunopia, F. and A. Glennie owners; 765 wethers, from Mungyer to Hill, Clark, and Co., E. Bullen owner; 200 fat wethers, from Mobunbri to Sydney, A. M'Intosh owner; 2520 ewes, from Welboondongah to Homebush, Hebden and Co. owners.

TIBOOBURRA, Wednesday.

Stock crossings:—Wompah, April 22: 351 head mixed fat cattle, Bulloo Downs, Queensland, to Adelaide, Jones, Greene, and Sullivan owners; 4860 ewes, from Curranoona, Queensland, via Hungerford and Tineroo, to Broken Hill, Kidman Brothers owners. May 2: 100 head horses, Tickalaro; Queensland, to Broken Hill, Kidman Brothers owners; 338 mixed fat cattle, South Commongin, Queensland, to Adelaide, Clive and M'Leod owners. May 5: 285 mixed cattle, Tickalaro, Queensland, to Broken Hill, Kidman Brothers owners. May 7: 132 head mixed fat cattle, from Ashby Vale, Queensland, for Broken Hill, S. Morton owner; 10 head horses, from Dingera, Queensland, for Broken Hill, Robertson owner. There are ample feed and water on the stock routes in the Milparinka district. The weather continues dry.

WALGETT, Monday.

Stock movements are:—7530 fat wethers, from South Grawin to Aberdeen, Aberdeen C. and F. Company owners; 3000 mixed sheep, from Habnarey to Walma, Moore Brothers owners; 7450 fat sheep, from South Grawin to Aberdeen, Aberdeen C. and F. Company owners; 100 fat sheep, Warren Creek to Quambone, R. Adams owner.

WARREN, Friday.

The stock truckings have been 25 trucks of cattle and seven trucks of sheep. The stock passings are—110 fat cattle, Richards owner, to railway station; 1450 mixed sheep, J. C. Ryrie owner, Yarra Glen to Cathundrill; 14 shorthorn bulls, travelling to Neebine, Queensland, J. C. Ryrie owner; 50 cattle, from Wonbobbie to the railway, Buckland owner; 675 sheep, Buckland owner, M'Court in charge, Wonbobbie to Warren; 2436 mixed sheep, Coonamble to Wellington, Beckett owner.

OUTBREAK OF ANTHRAX.

DUBBO, Friday.

With reference to the report that some persons suffering from blood-poisoning had been brought to the Dubbo Hospital, the facts are that 5000 sheep, belonging to Mutton Brothers, of Bathurst, passed through Dubbo from Cobar a few weeks ago, en route to Bathurst. Being in poor condition, they were put in paddocks on Geurie Estate, and whilst there a number of the sheep died from anthrax. Previous to this there had been an outbreak of anthrax amongst the sheep on the Geurie Estate, but they had been inoculated and put into different paddocks. Two boys named Chrystal commenced skinning the dead sheep in Mutton's mob, not knowing at the time the cause of their death. The day following they experienced a prickly feeling in their arms, and were immediately driven to Dubbo by Mr. Gaden. On arrival here last Sunday they were put under chloroform, and the affected pieces were taken out of their arms by Drs. Du Moulin and Tibbits. The boys were taken back home, and at latest reports were improving. Mr. R. G. Dulhunty, stock inspector for Dubbo and Canoubar districts, states that the recent outbreak of anthrax has been the worst experienced for the past 30 years. From returns recently to hand the outbreak now seems to be diminishing.

SYDNEY MISSION TO SEAMEN.

The inclement weather of Thursday night affected neither the attendance of performers nor audience at the institute, when Miss Henny (of the Stanmore "Y" Union), assisted by Miss May Henny, Misses Booth (2), M'Keller, Rossiter (2), and Messrs. Rumpf and Manning, gave a pleasant concert of vocal and instrumental music. Messrs. T. Venning, of Earl of Zetland; Van Dam, of G. Gerarda; and M'Farlane, of Gifford, also assisted.

POLYTECHNIC.

In spite of the bad weather this popular place has been well attended during the past week.

CYCLORAMA.

The fascination exercised by this splendid view of ancient Jerusalem continues to draw the public to this place.

THE RECENT STORM.

THE WRECKS.

The storm had nearly exhausted itself yesterday morning along the coast. The wreck roll has, so far, been added to by 13 total losses and seven partial by the "Maitland storm." This places the disturbance as a record one in the casualty history of the colony. The loss of life has been serious enough, but not equal to the loss in the case of either the Catterthun on this coast or the Tasmania on the New Zealand coast. In connection with the strandings during the storm it is probable the ship Hereward will be got off. The schooners ashore at Nelson's Bay in two instances may be floated, but taking the "small fry" together, it is (with the exception of the J. G. Kondio, yet to be accounted for) satisfactory to know that no loss of life has occurred. Remarking upon losses, a representative of the underwriters said the storm was more disastrous than the Dandenong gale from an insurance point of view, though the monetary losses were, as compared with "a decent fire," insignificant. Excepting in the case of the loss of the steamer Maitland and the loss of the Merksworth, and still later the probable loss of the Kondio, out of the many wrecks no loss of life has occurred.

A DISABLED BARQUE SIGHTED.

The master of the powerful tug Champion, which has been on a cruising expedition north since Monday last, reports having spoken the Seal Rocks to-day, and was informed by the signals that a disabled barque was sighted on Saturday last. The distressed vessel was then 10 miles north-east of Seal Rocks. The name of the barque is unknown, and she has not since been sighted. The authorities at Seal Rocks had been unable to report the matter, owing to an interruption of telegraph communication. When sighted the barque did not appear to be in a perilous condition.

THE CRUISE OF THE CHAMPION.

THE WHANGAROA SIGHTED.

The only vessel sighted during the four days' cruising of the steamer Champion was the barquentine Whangaroa, bound from Foxton to Sydney with a cargo of timber. The vessel was sighted on Tuesday last, and was then about seven miles east of port Stephens. She reported that she was all right and did not require assistance. During the gales one of her sails had carried away, but although she had encountered very dirty weather the barquentine had not suffered any damage. The tug Champion returned to port to-night after a four days' cruise north from Port Stephens to Cape Hawke. The object of the tug in undertaking this expedition was to render any assistance which might be required by disabled or distressed vessels.

THE SHIP CAPE RACE.

Inquiries are being made respecting the whereabouts of the ship Cape Race, from Table Bay, which is coming to Newcastle to load coal. She was spoken eight days ago some miles out, between Sydney and Newcastle, and refused a tow. Since yesterday week she has not been sighted. It is more than probable that the Cape Race encountered the full force of the recent gale, but the prevailing opinion in shipping circles is that she is standing well out to sea, and may not put in an appearance again for several days.

THE HEREWARD.

This ship lies much in the same position as when last referred to. She is insured for £6000, it is said, and will be got off.

THE MAITLAND WRECK.

A PASSENGER'S BODY RECOVERED.

NEWCASTLE, Friday.

The police in charge of the wreck of the Maitland telegraphed to Inspector Lynch to-night to the effect that another body was recovered this afternoon. The remains were those of a man 5ft. 10in. or 5ft. 11in. in height, but the features were beyond recognition. The body was washed ashore on the beach about three miles distant from the scene of the disaster, and, judging from the clothing, the police are of opinion that the deceased was one of the passengers. The following description has been supplied with a view to establishing identification:—Dressed in dark trousers and vest, white silk shirt, collar (turned down), white flannel undershirt, white necktie, gold scarf-pin of horse-shoe pattern (with cogs across the words "good-luck"), common bone stud, sewn laceup No. 6 size boots, cloth tops, white socks, argosy braces. The body was in an advanced stage of decomposition, and the features were absolutely unrecognisable. Eight bodies have now been recovered, and the police are still diligently searching along the beach and among the masses of debris from the wreck in the hopes of securing more bodies. The opinion is expressed that many of the bodies have been devoured by sharks which infest this locality.

SHIPPING ACTIVITY AT NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE, Friday.

The Newcastle bar, which has been exceedingly dangerous during the past week, assumed its normal condition to-day, and as a result there was great activity amongst the shipping of the port. The seas have moderated considerably, and, although the weather is still showery, the recent fatal gale has completely spent itself. The arrivals numbered 12, including the steamer Marsina from Fremantle, and the steamer Ashley from Melbourne, which have been sheltering, the steamer Wendouree from Adelaide, and the steamer Indianapolis from Fremantle. The Gosford made the trip from Port Stephens, and eight or nine steamers put in an appearance from Sydney. The departures totalled 17, many of which were for foreign and intercolonial ports. The coal-laden vessels included the barque Woodburn, for Valparaiso; barque Broughton, for Coquimbo; and the four-masted ship Hedderwick, for Acapulco. The steamers with intercolonial destinations which crossed out were Ouraka for Adelaide, Larnaca for Fremantle, Beeswing for Melbourne, Melbourne for Melbourne, and Tangier for Fremantle. Nine vessels also left for Sydney.

Ex-Alderman J. J. Farr, J.P., of Marrickville, who, in company with his wife, was a passenger by the Coraki to the Manning River last week, returned to his home on Thursday. In conversation with a representative of the "Herald" yesterday morning Mr. Farr said that when the Coraki arrived off the Manning bar the sea was so rough that they doubted whether it would be possible to get in. Mr. Farr speaks in the highest terms of the cool courage of Captain Boulden and his crew.

THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS ON TOUR.

CARCOAR, Friday.

Mr. Charles Oliver (Chief Commissioner) and Messrs. Fehon and Kirkaldie (Commissioners for Railways) arrived here by special train to-day and were interviewed by Mr. J. Lithgow Cobb, who congratulated Mr. Oliver upon his promotion to the Chief Commissionership. He introduced to the Commissioners Messrs. W. H. Short and John Links, who are interested in an iron lode at Coombing Park Estate, two miles from Carcoar. They pointed out to the Commissioners the desirability of erecting a siding a mile and a half distant from the railway station for the convenience of trucking ore there and save expense of carting to the station. The Commissioners decided to wait till the mine was considered permanent, as they would then be able finally to decide. In any case, the leaseholders of the mine would pay the cost of the siding. Two hundred tons are now despatched weekly.

MOLONG, Friday.

A deputation consisting of Alderman John Black, J.P., Messrs. C. Stockwell, W. J. Windred, and members of the progress committee waited on the Railway Commissioners this morning. The Commissioners promised to asphalt the platform, repair the trucking yards, and erect an additional office for sale of tickets. A deputation also met the Commissioners at Manildra. The Commissioners declined to erect a crane, but promised to consider the matter of extra assistance at the station.

LATE MINING.

BRISBANE, Friday.

It is reported from Irvinebank that good copper ore has been struck in the Queenslander mine. Two rich finds of copper lodes have been made lately—one by the Linedale Syndicate, and the other by the two brothers M'Lelland. Nothing is known definitely, but it is believed that both are rich.

KALGOORLIE, Friday.

Hannan's Brown Hill return for April was as follows:—Mill ran 481 hours; stone crushed, 1022 tons; ore cyanided, 1014 tons; gold recovered, 2320oz. 4dwt., of the value of £8929. The cost of mining, milling, and cyanidation is 42s 4d per ton. The Golden Valley Lead, at Kanowna, is looking excellent. On an average three claims daily bottom on rich gold. The Kalgurli Gold Mine is making rapid progress with the erection of the air-compressor plant. The management has decided to install multitubular boilers to drive the winding engine, and in a few weeks will decide what process is to be used to treat the output of the mine. The plant will be capable of being used for oxidised or sulphide ores, and will, when fully completed, be capable of treating a quantity as large as that to be treated by the large Australian mill of the Associated Gold Mines now being erected. The prospects of the Kalgurli Gold Mine are greatly enhanced by the fact that a rich telluride lode in the Australia lease is proved to be making for the south block of the Kalgurli. The Konemann's Company, which is treating the Great Boulder tailings on royalty, is understood to be doing so on the following terms:—The Konemann Company to take the first 3dwt. of gold recovered, and then 40 per cent. of the balance, being paid in addition £2000 annually by the Great Boulder Company.

LAUNCESTON, Friday.

To-day's quotations were:—Tasmania, buyer £3 19s; Volunteer, buyer 2s 4d, seller 2s 6d; Mount Reid, buyer 10s 9d; Western Silver, buyer 4s; Colebrook, buyer 7s 9d, seller 9s 9d; Cutty Sark, buyer 5s; Hercules, buyer 22s, seller 25s; Jupiter, paid, buyer 1s 5d, seller 2s 3d; Mount Lyell, buyer £12 12s 6d, seller £12 14s; Lyell Tharsis, buyer 23s, seller 25s; Red Hills, buyer 4s 3d, seller 5s 6d; Dorothea, buyer 2s 9d; Australian Tin, buyer 3s; Mount Bischoff, seller £37 15s; New Brothers' Home No. 1, buyer 2s 3d.

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GOVERNMENT BY CHARTERED COMPANY.

Speaking at the annual dinner of the Royal Colonial Institute (says the "St. James's Gazette") the Duke of Fife, responding to the House of Lords, said that since its creation, nine years ago, until quite recently he had been vice-president of the British South Africa Company, and during the last few weeks he had received many inquiries as to his reasons for severing his connection with that body. While certain proceedings formed the subject of a Parliamentary inquiry, he naturally did not wish to leave any of his colleagues in the lurch, but sufficient time having elapsed, he merely carried out the decision at which he arrived two years ago. No doubt their colonial empire owed much to chartered companies in past days; but, speaking from his own actual experience, he was convinced that in these days chartered companies were an anomaly, and he hoped that in future wherever the British flag flew some form of direct Imperial control would always be established—until, of course, self-government took place. He devoutly hoped that Colonial Ministers of the future would closely follow in the footsteps of those adventurous spirits, and at an early stage assume that responsibility which they must eventually accept. A board of gentlemen sitting in London, however able and honest they might be, could not exercise the same control as the Imperial authority, with all its prestige and military power, and therefore he warmly welcomed the wise and admirable scheme which had been lately framed by the present Colonial Secretary for the future government of the territories of the company. As to a certain deplorable incident—the invasion of a neighbouring territory by the forces of the company of which he was a director, that invasion deliberately planned and carried out by their agents without their knowledge or consent—it was preposterous to suppose that such a grave violation of duty could have been perpetrated by any individuals who felt that they were under the direct control of the British Government. Happily, in the case of the chartered company, steps had been taken to prevent a repetition of such culpable conduct, and he was glad to think that in the future the home board of the company would be relegated to the more humble though very useful and necessary position of exercising business control.

Earl Grey, in proposing "The United Empire," said he was astonished and surprised that the Duke of Fife in the warm language which he had used had stated his preference for Imperial administration rather than for rule by chartered company. When he joined the company in 1889 he held the same opinion as the noble Duke appeared to hold to-day. When invited to join the board, he went to Lord Salisbury and pointed out that this was work which the Imperial Government ought to undertake, and it was only on his Lordship's assurance that the House of Commons could not be expected to vote the supplies which would be required to make the administration of Rhodesia a success that he joined the board. He was not aware that the Duke of Fife also went to the Prime Minister on a similar mission, and he differed from him, for having been on the spot he had altered his opinion, and was persuaded that the rule by Chartered Company under Imperial control was the most beneficent that could be. He regretted the noble Duke's departure from the board, but he could assure him that the duties of the directors were still far more onerous and burdensome than he supposed. He did not intend to leave the board until Rhodesia had been converted into a powerful State which would secure the federation of South Africa south of the Zambesi, and establish the position of England as the paramount Power in that part of the world.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

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Custom-house.—Entered outwards: May 13, Port Elliott, s., 3550 tons, Captain F. R. Balchin, for Colombo, via Port Kembla; Star of New Zealand, s., 4712 tons, Captain W. J. Reed, for Auckland; Peregrine, s., 1669 tons, Captain J. Fain, for Melbourne; Leura, s., 1184 tons, Captain W. Ellis, for Townsville, via ports.

Captain J. Fain reports that the steamer Peregrine left Brisbane on May 11, cleared the Pile Light at 9.20 p.m., passed South Solitary Island at 4.35 p.m. on the 12th instant, and entered Sydney Heads at 1.15 yesterday afternoon. Experienced strong S. and S.E. winds, squally weather, with heavy rain and rough sea throughout.

The ship Bermore is to be towed from Messrs. Parbury's wharf to Messrs. Lever Brothers' wharf to-day.

The R.M.S. Miowera was yesterday moved to Mort's Dock.

The R.M.S. Oroya is to berth at the Orient Company's wharf to-day.

The Compagnie Transatlantique's mail steamer Bretagne, which left Havre for New York lately, carried with her several hundred pigeons. When 100 kilometres have been covered some of them will be let loose, and further batches will be sent off at distances of 200 and 300 kilometres, up to 800 kilometres from France. The pigeons that succeed in returning to France will be sent off again and again in other steamers, so that by the process of selection a strong and thoroughly efficient batch will be secured. The object is to enable a steamer in difficulties to communicate with the shore, or with passing vessels, and if the experiment should be successful a regular service of carrier pigeons will be organised in all the company's vessels.

PASSAGES ENGAGED BY THE R.M.S. ORIZABA.

The following passages have been engaged by the mail steamer Orizaba, sailing to-day in the Orient line, A. W. Clarke, R.N.R., commander, for London via ports:—For London: Mr. John Fletcher, Mr. J. B. Connal, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Campbell, Miss Macdonald, Miss Flora Perry, Mr. H. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kift, Dr. Rhodes, Mrs. Mathias, Mr. T. H. Goff, Mrs. J. Grice and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dykes Marshall, Mrs. Dove, Miss Paterson and family, Mr. John Mowlem, Mr. W. Inglis Husband, Mr. N. B. Wilson, Mr. F. Pholiff, Mrs. Dunne and 2 children, Mr. Benjamin Cocksod, Mr. Frederick Reid, Mr. James Reid, Mr. J. R. Benningway, Mr. Ralph F. White, Mr. and Mrs. C. Selwyn, 4 children and 2 infants, Mrs. North and child, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Rolle and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Jewell, Mr. G. H. Webb, Mr. Edward Storm, Mr. Thomas Ward, Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Thomas, Miss E. M. Smith, Miss Joyce, Mr. T. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Nash child and maid, Mrs. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Burton, Mr. H. H. Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Robinson, Mr. F. Bell, Mr. H. H. Luxton, Mrs. Smyth and child, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Whitmore, Miss E. M. Hair, Mr. and Mrs. Forrester and family, Mrs. Parrot, Mr. H. Fry child and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Peters, Mr. Farrell, Mr. R. H. Robinson, Mrs. Fox's 2 children, Mr. S. V. Horton, Mr. A. J. Winstrobe, Mr. William Donovan, Mr. Edmiston, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. W. J. Figgis, Mr. A. H. Measser, Rev. J. and Mrs. Hadfield. For Marseilles: Mr. Thomas Davis. For Colombo: Lieutenant Netherzole, Mr. H. Atkins. From Colombo to London: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brough, Miss Watt-Tanner, Miss Harrington, Miss Emma Temple, Messrs. Shaw, Roberts, Majoram, M'Intyre, Alex Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Harris and child. For Albany: Mr. and Mrs. Marriott, Mr. John Marriott. For Adelaide: Mr. R. F. Hume, Miss King, Miss Yeates. For Melbourne: Mr. W. L. Jack, Mr. W. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. Claude Healey, Mr. J. P. Muir, Mr. A. T. Bull, Mr. S. Miller, Miss Murray.

THE UNION COMPANY'S LINE.

The steamer Waikare left Wellington at 5 p.m. on Thursday for Sydney. She is due on Tuesday.

The Rotokino is to leave Lyttelton for Sydney on Wednesday next.

THE A.U.S.N. LINE.

The Elamang sails hence to-day for Brisbane and ports to Rockhampton. The Cintra is due from Brisbane to-morrow, and leaves on Tuesday next for Melbourne, taking on passengers for West Australia. The Barcoo leaves Melbourne for West Australia on Saturday, the 21st instant. The Wodonga leaves Melbourne to-day for Sydney, and sails on Tuesday, the 17th inst., for Brisbane and ports to Cooktown. The Aramac leaves Cooktown to-day for Sydney, via ports. The Birksgate for Noumea, Suva, and Levuka (Fiji) sails hence on Wednesday, the 25th instant. The Rockton for Melbourne, Adelaide, Albany, and Fremantle sails from Sydney on Saturday, the 21st instant.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co. advise the following movements in the steamers of the above line employed in the Australian and China and Japan trade:—

The Yamashiro Maru, from Japan and Hongkong, left Thursday Island on the 10th instant, and is due in Sydney on Friday next, the 20th. She returns to the East on Saturday, June 4.

The Tokio Maru left Sydney on the 7th instant for the East. Left Townsville on the 12th, and leaves Thursday Island on the 15th, being due at Hongkong on the 27th instant, and Kobe June 6, Yokohama 9th, and leaves there on her return to the colonies on June 16.

The Omi Maru left Yokohama on the 12th, leaves Kobe 17th, and Hongkong May 27, being due Thursday Island June 7, and Sydney 17th.

THE CAPE HAWKE BAR.

The pilot at Cape Hawke yesterday wired to the Marine Board:—"Tried to sound bar with tugboat yesterday; could not get out. Sandspit was found inside bar with 9ft. 6in. at high water. The telegraph line has been down since the morning of the 4th instant. The Stanley, schooner, Allinga, schooner, Koranmah, ketch, and Forest Queen, ketch, all barbound. Amy Moir, ketch, still at anchor in bay."

A JEWISH QUARTER IN MOROCCO RAIDED.

Very little is known to Europe of Taza, the Moorish city of which the Jewish quarter, or Mellah, has been pillaged by the Berber tribe of Ghaiata, but it is an important Jewish trading centre, and the seriousness of the affair has been doubtless as great as the temptation. Taza lies on the road from Fez to Tlemcen, perched on a hillside in a commanding position, which will make it the first object of the French when they march on the Moorish metropolis. Centuries ago (says the "Pall Mall Gazette") it bid fair to become the capital itself, but fortune has deserted it, principally on account of the fierce and turbulent nature of the Ghaiata and neighbouring tribes, which from time to time descend to the walls, or content themselves by cutting off the water supply and holding the place to ransom. It was in an attempt to chastise this mountain clan that the late Sultan was cut off, and all but lost his life as well as his army, and he would be a bold Moor who would attempt their entire subjugation.

The Jews of Taza, Dibdoo, and the smaller towns of that district hold by no means an unimportant position, though ground down and oppressed to the utmost. They can only travel under the protection of some local Berber, who becomes their master, and they are not free to move their families. Though their ghettos are filthy, unwholesome rookeries, and their houses tumbledown, they not infrequently amass what is, for Morocco, great wealth. It was a Jew of this district who two centuries and a half ago was rich enough for Mulai Rashed to secure the throne by seizing on what he possessed. So from time to time, in spite of uninviting appearances, the Mohammedan population rises and plunders them wholesale. As late as 1790 an incoming Sultan paid his troops by permitting the pillage of the chief Jewish quarters of the Empire. It is only as European interests become involved, and the Moors find that the Jews among them have active and powerful friends abroad, that it is possible to prevent the recurrence of this sort of thing. It would be a crying shame if at the very doors of Europe it should be still possible for homes to be sacked, the men put to death, and the women borne off to nameless harems without a protest.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Friday Evening.

In the Stock and Share market business continues to be monotonously dull. The weakness apparent for some time in the cases of leading bank stocks, Australian Gaslight, and a few others, in which the bulk of the investment is current, has been followed within the past few days by a stronger tone, and these securities have recovered, or partially recovered, from the fall, and are once again at or near the highest points reached. They may be said to have moved with the movement on the other side of the world. The decline certainly was not so pronounced here, but there was no other apparent reason for such as there was than the unsettled conditions produced mainly by the dear money market and the disturbed state of affairs in Europe. And these having been mitigated to some extent our securities have recovered with them. New South Wales Funded Stock has also shared in the recovery, buyers offering more freely slightly higher figures. Still there is an appreciable drop in the 4 per cent. stock. In bank shares to-day the only reported business was in City at 70s, the previous quotation. New South Wales further rose ½, having buyer at 35½. Australian Joint Stock Bank also advanced 1½d, English, Scottish, and Australian Bank debentures being offered at 17s 6d. Steam were steady, the slight alterations in the list being only nominal. North Shore Ferry realised late quotation, and the Co-operative debenture shares of Port Jackson Steam Company were in request at 16s 6d. In Insurance there was inquiry for New Zealand at 60s, with seller at 70s. Australian Gaslight were in more request again, selling at 17¼, and Manly Gaslight had a buyer at 24s 6d. Brewery shares continued steady, a sale of Tooth's at 24s 9d, the last quotation, comprising the business, with more inquiry for Perkins's at 24s. Miscellaneous stocks were only dealt in to a limited degree, Fresh Food and Ice selling at an advance of 1½d, and Permanent Trustee at a reduction of 1d. For Shale and Oil a higher price was offered. Federal Building deposits were in request at 12s, and Intercolonial Building shares at 11s 9d.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported:—Early sale: Fresh Food and Ice Company, 20s 7½d; Permanent Trustee, 1s 11d. At 1 o'clock: A.J.S. Bank B deposits, 12s 4½d; Tooth's Brewery, 24s 9d; Monte de Piete, 36s; Fresh Food and Ice, 20s 7½d. Later: Australian Gaslight, 17¼. At 4 o'clock: City Bank (old), 70s; North Shore Ferry, 51s. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per cent.	Prices. Last sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	*Yield to Investor.
	£	£	£	P.C.				P.C.
N.S.W. F. Stock, 1892	2,423,830	...	...	4	109	109	...	3¾
Do. Act, 1873	530,180	...	...	4	125	...	130	3¼
Do., due 1914	...	...	...	3	99½	...	...	3¼
Do., due 1924	...	...	...	4	...	19½	...	3¼
Do., due 1925	...	...	...	3	100	...	...	3¼
Do. Deb., 1902	359,300	...	...	5	107	...	...	3¼
N.Z. D., 1913	300,000	...	...	4	105	105	...	...
Q'land D., 1915	...	...	...	4	106	100	...	...
Colonial Sugar—D., 1914	...	...	...	5	112	110	...	...
BANKS.								
Aust. J. S.	1,167,277	10	7½	...	...	1/6	5/6	...
City	240,000	10	8	4	70/	...	75	9½
New Issue	100,000	10	8	4	65/	...	70/	9½
Com. of A. pref.	2,111,070	10	10	2	76/	...	...	5½
Com. of Syd.	1,000,000	25	12½	8	2/½	22¾	23½	4½
N. S. Wales	1,250,000	20	20	9	36½	35½	36	5½
Union	1,500,000	75	25	5	25	25	25½	5
DEPOSITS.								
A. J. S. Bank Class A	...	...	...	3	13/10½	13/9	14/	4½
Class B	...	...	...	3	12/4½	12/4½	12/6	5
Ditto Insc.	391,141	...	...	3½	10/6	10/6	11/6	6½
Com. of Aus. A ser., 1898	...	...	...	3	18/	17/3	...	3½
Ditto assets	...	...	...	3	16/	15/6	...	3½
E. S. A. series	...	...	...	4	15/	14/9	...	5½
Ditto Ter.	800,000	...	...	4	18/6	18/6	...	4½
Ditto Deb.	990,575	...	...	4	17/3	16/9	17/6	4½
Ins., pref.	943,967	...	...	3	...	14/	...	4½
Ditto, def.	940,921	...	...	3	...	13/	...	4½
STEAM.								
Illawarra	58,000	5	2½	8½	6	5¾	6	5
N. and H. R.	100,000	1	1	5	16/10½	15/9	16/6	6
North Coast	121,743	1	17/6	8	18/9	18/3	18/9	7½
N. S. Ferry	65,000	1	1	10	51/	50/	51/6	7½
Port Jackson	25,000	50	25/	...	31/6	30/	35/	...
Ditto Co-op. Deb. Shs.	...	...	1	...	17	16/6	18/6	...
INSURANCE.								
A.M. Fire	25,000	1	5/	27½	23/6	23/	24/	5
Mer. Mut.	26,250	1	3/6	15½	9/6	9/3	10/	5½
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	11½	...	60/	70/	...
United	62,500	10	2½	12½	76	75	79/	8½
Ditto, New	5,725	10	12/6	12½	...	18/	20/	8½
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12/6	10	...	14/	18/	6½
Australian	681,708	6	6	9	17½	17½	17½	5½
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	40/	...	...	7½
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	25/	24	25/	6½
Manly	10,000	1	1	7	25/	24/6	25/6	5½
Ditto, New	5,000	1	10/	7	...	12/	13/	...
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	6½
Newcastle	25,128	2	2	12½	5½	5¼	...	4½
North Shore	80,000	1	1	6	26/9	27/	...	4½
Ditto, New	10,000	1	10/	6	13/9	14/	...	...
BREWERIES.								
Albury	21,000	1	10/	5	...	...	8/	...
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	...
Australian	96,000	1	1	...	10/	...	6/	...
Castlm. and Wood Bros.	250,000	1	1	4	15/3	14/	15/3	5½
Marshall's	29,701	10	5/	6	3/5	3/5	3/7	8½
Perkins'	58,322	15	15	10	24/6	24/	...	6½
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	7	24/9	24/9	25/9	5½
MISCEL'AN.								
Aarons'	17,500	15	10/	5	2/9	...	...	13
Aust. News	42,000	1	1	8	28/	28/	...	5½
B.H.W. Sup.	185,544	1	1	10	19/11	20/6	21/6	9½
Burns, Philp	250,000	1	1	8	26/	25/6	...	6½
Ditto	17,500	1	5/	8	5/8	5/9	6	...
Col. Sugar	1,702,000	20	20	10	29½	29¾	30	6½
Dalgety Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	5	...	5¼	8
Emu B. R'lwy	100,000	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto	150,000	1	15	...	12/3	10/	...	...
Emu Gravel	34,000	1	1	2½	...	...	...	...
Fresh Fd. Ice	137,448	5	18	8	20/7½	...	...	7½
Harrison, Jones, D'lin	50,000	1	1	8	...	...	...	...
Ditto	50,000	1	10/	8	11/	...	...	7½
Melb. Trams.	485,000	1	10/	5	12/3	11/6	...	4½
Monte de Piete	73,467	1	1	10	36/	35/	37/	5½
Perm. Trustee	23,348	5	1/6	5	1/11	1/10	2/1	6½
Perp. Trust	25,000	10	5/	6	7/9	7/6	7/9	4
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Richardson and Wrench	60,000	1	1	3	7/9	7/6	8/	7½
Shale and Oil	75,000	1	15	...	3/	3/3	3/9	...
Silv. Tram	197,806	1	1	40	87/	86/	88/	11
Syd. Exch.	30,000	10	7	14½	14	...	...	...
Fy. Hydraulic Lane & Bo.	75,000	1	10	10	25/	26/	26/6	5½
Haymark't D.	...	...	13	5	...	10/	...	...
Fed. B. D.	...	...	...	...	...	12/	...	...
Indust. Prov.	80,000	20	20	6	...	...	...	...
Intercolonial	33,000	1	15	10	12/6	11/9	...	...
Excelsior Dep.	...	...	...	...	7/1	...	...	...
S. & Sub.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
S. & Sub. D.	...	...	...	...	...	...	10/6	...

* Where the dividends are interim, the yield is based on year's distribution; otherwise on the last half-yearly one. † 21s 5d.

The annual meeting of the Australian Mutual Provident Society was held this afternoon, under the presidency of Sir Joseph Abbott, when the very favourable report for 1897, of which the principal features have already been published, was explained fully, and details were given of the condition and prospects of the institution in this and other colonies. It is not surprising to learn that old members of the society now resident in England are taking advantage of the privilege of increasing their assurances, thus adding considerably to the business. As is now so well known the society's operations, through the high returns on its investments, yield rates of interest far in excess of those furnished by British societies, and those who can avail themselves of the opportunity of insuring with the society are only too ready to do so. It will also be gratifying to the New South Wales members of the society to learn from the directors in the other colonies how largely its advantages are availed of there. In New Zealand it flourishes exceedingly, though there is a Government insurance department, which the more recent reports show cannot hold its own in the competition with the great Australasian society. There is of course nothing very remarkable in a State institution being beaten by private enterprise, but it is just as well in these days to keep the results of such competition well in view.

The Australian Mutual Fire Insurance Society's annual meeting was held to-day, the Hon. G. Thornton, M.L.C., presiding. The report, showing a credit balance of £16,118, divided as already mentioned, was adopted. Mr. John Wetherill was re-elected a director, and Mr. James C. Taylor an auditor. A resolution was passed authorising the directors, if they think fit, to appropriate any amount up to 33⅓ per cent. of the net profits, from time to time, towards the creation of a contingent fund, to be used by them for making addition to the capital or otherwise. The proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the directors, manager, and officers.

The Bank of England this week has received an addition to its private deposits of no less than 4,146,000, of which it has advanced over £3,000,000. Its reserve is increased by £1,093,000, but is less effective, representing only 43·27 per cent. of its liabilities as compared with 44·60 per cent. last week. There is only an addition of £77,000 to the stock of coin and bullion, and therefore having regard to the demands made upon the bank, it cannot be said that there is that bound towards cheaper money to which the two previous weekly returns pointed. Indeed, we find that this position is concurrent with a more stringent outside market, in which the discount rate has advanced ⅛ per cent. to 3⅞ per cent., being ⅛ per cent. below the bank rate. To what this set back is due we cannot tell, and we have nothing on which to base an opinion as to whether the stringency is to be maintained or increased. Certain it is that leading authorities just prior to the outbreak of the war held that the conditions pointed to a dear money market pretty well throughout the year. Possibly the disturbances on the Continent are at the moment exercising a hardening influence on the money market. This week's movements in the quotations of Consols and Australian Government securities on the London Stock Exchange have been irregular, as will be seen in our cable news. Consols have dropped ¼, and four colonial stocks have fallen ¼ to ⅛, but eight of the others have risen from ⅛ to ½, while two are unchanged. The figures therefore may be taken to indicate steadiness, or an arrest or partial arrest of the upward movement noticed on the previous fortnight.

Regarding wool, our staple product, little more can be said than that prices are not worse than they were at the opening of the present series of sales. Indeed, the message received yesterday indicated that they were tending upwards, but the movement can have had no important development, since the cablegram received to-day only reports "fair competition; all sorts unchanged." We have heard that cable news has come to hand advising an advance in cotton, which goes to confirm our remark that that probably would be found to be a factor in maintaining, if not in raising, the price of wool. Bradford tops are unaltered on the week. A further recovery of 6d per cwt. in the price of mutton tallow is bringing the value nearer to a profitable return to the producer. Silver, at 26⅜d per oz. is higher than it has been for some months past. Tin, both on the spot and to arrive, is 5s per ton higher than it was last week, and lead has also risen 5s per ton; copper, on the other hand, has fallen 7s 6d per ton.

The probable flotation by Japan of a large loan in Europe is what has been expected for a long time. The country has been spending money for military and other purposes very freely. When it went under the gold standard last year it was openly said that one of the objects in view was to pave the way for more advantageous offers from foreign money lenders when it should be necessary to appeal to them. Twenty-five millions sterling is a large sum. Of course, it would not all be applied for at once, and the preliminary announcement is not likely to have any material effect on the money market. Japan will probably have to pay fully 5½ per cent. for the loan, for her 5 per cent. stock already quoted on the London Stock Exchange is rather under par. An addition of 150,000,000 yen to the present debt would be a large one, as the amount current is 454,000,000 yen, including paper money.

IMPORT MARKET.

Again quietness was the prevalent characteristic in commercial circles, and very few really large wholesale transactions came under notice. Breadstuffs remained in an extremely unsettled position, the series of advances that continue to be cabled from London making the local market very uncertain. Meanwhile very little actual business transpired, more business took place to-day in China teas than has been reported for some little time. Sugar moved off in small trade parcels only. Groceries, dried fruits, and Eastern produce met with a distributing demand. Liquors had a very firm tendency in all the standard lines. Though the present is the "off" season for brewers' goods, prices were well sustained, especially in hops and isinglass. Metallic lines were inquired for, forward business being done in wire nails, zinc, and several other of the leading lines. Jute goods had a rather firmer tendency.

Those interested in the New York-Australian freight competition state that it is probable that the steamer service will call at the Cape. This will cause further delay, and will lessen very considerably the most important advantage which steam would have otherwise had over sailers. In connection with the South African trade there are six ports which are in direct communication with New York, namely, Capetown, Port Elizabeth, East London, Port Natal, Mossel Bay, and Delagoa Bay. Of course, it is not at all probable that the steamers will call at all these ports; but if they call at more than one further delay will ensue. On this subject Messrs. Arkell and Douglas give some interesting opinions as to the relative merits of steamers and sailers in their circular dated March 31. They state: "Whether the trade is ripe for permanent steam communication between the two countries is an open question. Many think the time has arrived when this mode of communication should take precedence over sail, and others, again, have the contrary opinion. The general feeling, however, seems to be that it will probably from now forward be found necessary to have both steam and sail communication. There are certainly classes of goods which will, undoubtedly, prefer to pay higher necessary rate to go by steamer, and certain cheap classes of goods, where time is no object, will go by sailers. We can only say that the regular liners will protect the interest of the trade in a pronounced and determined way, and that all those dealing with them may depend upon having by steamers if they go lowest current rates of freight, and the very best possible service as against any outside opposition."

A perusal of the appended table gives a fairly accurate indication of commercial progress in a number of lines. It compares the total customs receipts for the month of April, the preceding month, and the same two months last year in regard to the items enumerated:—

—	March. 1897.	March. 1898.	April. 1897.	April. 1898.
	£	£	£	£
Spirits	47,227	45,342	46,280	47,204
Wine	1,489	1,421	1,718	1,732
Ale, &c.	5,500	3,909	4,198	2,550
Tobacco, &c.	25,901	21,778	16,711	20,423
Sugar, &c.	7,202	4,546	4,063	10,467
Dried fruits	4,281	1,221	5,289	1,894
Candles	508	600	398	463
Confectionery	351	256	373	257
Jams and jellies	229	191	270	138
Colonial distilled spirits	436	292	404	188
Excise, tobacco, &c.	11,401	12,937	11,522	12,888
Excise, beer	11,175	13,619	12,895	12,656
Total	120,158	100,552	112,567	116,067

Naturally we perceive a steady increase in the duty payments on spirits, which may be taken as the forerunner of the colder weather now approaching. For a similar reason as the summer is left behind the payments on ales decrease. Why the receipts on sugar should have gone up is scarcely so clear, unless it be that New South Wales sugar has now to some extent given way to Queensland sorts in the local refinery. The excise on beer, like the duty payments, has diminished.

It is a fortnight since we had the cabled prices of Duluth and Russian cargoes. During that interval prices have advanced 8s 6d per quarter, or 1s 0¾d per bushel in London.

Sugar.—Locally nothing was done that calls for special comment. Prices were still on the basis of the Company's tariff rates, and there was a tendency to restrict orders until after the half-year closes. It is considered in Melbourne that the market there will easily be able to absorb all the beet sugar produced at the Maffra factory. Some little trouble has been met with, it seems, in treating the beets, owing to the fact that they contain a larger percentage of salts and acids than is usually met with on the Continent; but the difficulty in this direction is now stated to have been overcome.

Tea.—No news whatsoever seems yet to have been received from Foochow about the probable opening of the market. Mail advices from Calcutta predict an opening there almost a month later than usual. Chinas had more inquiry, 900 chests selling at 5½d, and 180 Ceylons at 8½d to 13d; 70 quarter-chests of scented orange pekoes changed hands on private terms for export.

On Tuesday next Messrs. Henry Harris and Co. will sell 581 Ceylons, 168 Indians, and 380 Chinas, on account of Messrs. Gerber, Mishaut, and Co., the Ceylon and Indian Tea Shippers' Association, and other importers.

Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co. will submit 840 packages of Indian and Ceylon teas at the City Mart on Thursday next on account of Messrs. Tange and Co.

Messrs. W. H. Carey and Co. will offer at the Exchange Saleroom on Thursday next 542 packages of Indians, for positive sale, on account of Messrs. Brown and Co.

Groceries.—Salt is still held for high rates, spot stocks being small. Candles ruled very firm at 5d for lines of D.R.J.'s and other leading brands. Gold Medal milk is now again in good supply. The Star of New Zealand and the Port Elliott arrived to-day with close on 3000 cases between them. Twenty-five tons of Higgins's fine dairy salt sold at agents' prices; as also did 200 cases of Brown's cornflour. 100 cases of ¼lb. sardines changed hands at 1s 10½d. Trefavennes were quoted at 3s 3d to 3s 4½d, and halves at 4s 7½d to 4s 10½d. Scroll salmon met with fair inquiry at convention rates, viz., 5s 9d. Currants sold well in small lots at 4½d, while Valencias were also in request at the same money.

Liquors.—None of the standard lines exhibited any change in price. Hennessy's brandy remained firm at 35s 6d and 46s 6d for one and three star respectively. Marie Brizard's brandy moved off steadily. Rum having a good inquiry, Lowndes's ranged between 2s 9½d and 2s 10d, most holders asking the latter figure. Heavy sales of Lamb's were reported. 250 cases of Old Tom landing in the Brabloch has all changed hands, and another 300 cases have been taken up to arrive. The spot price is 11s 6d. Key gin ruled firm at 11s 3d for 15's, 11s 6d for 16's, 12s for 18's, and 12s 6d for 20's, the smaller sizes changing hands freely at these rates. Gilbey's dry gin was in good request at agents' prices. Silverstream schnapps also had attention, while there was the regular demand for Wolfe's. Usher's whisky was asked for, but spot stocks were pretty well exhausted in first hands. Usher's, Robertson's, Gaelic, Crawford's, Sanderson's, Bulloch Lade, Walker's, and Brown's Four-Crown were in steady request. M'Ewan's ale, in bulk and case, met with a good demand, and Pig and Beaver stout were also asked for at agents' prices.

Brewers' Goods.—A line of 60 tanks of Thompson's malt was placed on contract at 6s 6d for extended delivery. Spot lots range from 6s 9d to 7s. Malt ruled firm at 1s 3d for Tasmanian, and 10½d for Oregon. Half a ton of Brazil lump isinglass sold at 4s 8d. All other descriptions were firm.

Metallic Lines.—Fencing wire was in rather better request, 20 tons of No. 8 moving off to arrive ex Augsburg at £8 2s 6d and 7 tons of No. 10 ex Weimar at £9. Barbed wire remained at £11. 500 boxes of wire nails were taken up for forward delivery at 10s 1½d. Two tons each of 11 and 14 gauge sheet zinc sold at £24. Seven-eighth hoopiron was almost unprocurable on spot. 200-gallon tanks were also scarce. Sixty-six copper boilers, 12 to 20 gallons, changed hands in one line on private terms. Bolts and nuts remained at 22½ per cent. off list. Pig lead is higher again in London, but the local manufacturers have not again raised their tariff rates for sheet lead, which remains at £17. The discount on Cartland's brass goods has been reduced in England from 40 to 35 per cent. off. Ten tons of hematite pig iron moved off at £5 5s. 150 casks of German cement sold at 10s 6d. In their monthly market report Messrs. James M'Ewan and Co. Limited, write regarding tinplates from London as follows:—"Shipments from South Wales have recently been small owing to the severe gales experienced on the coast, and this has resulted in a large increase of surplus stock, the quantity in store now being stated as 124,000 boxes. The large works at Llanelly are to be closed entirely on April 4 owing to failure caused by the ruinous prices that have ruled for some time past for this staple. Manufacturers are endeavouring to induce their men to accept a reduction in wages. I.C. Coke tinplates, 20 by 14, are to-day offered at 9s 10½d per box delivered f.o.b. Liverpool, less 4 per cent."

Jute Goods.—Fifty-five bales of branbags moved off for forward delivery on private terms. Sales were also made ex Argus at 3s 4d. On spot holders ask 3s 6d, but no sales have transpired at that rate. Stocks of cornsacks were in small compass, and holders ask 4s 7d. The market for woolpacks also has a firming tendency.

Oils.—Tenpence is still nominally quoted for kerosene, with a lower range for to arrive lots, according to delivery. Twenty-five drums of B. S. and Co.'s raw and 25 cases of boiled linseed oil sold at 2s 2d and 2s 4d respectively. China was quoted at 2s 1½d. Turps are quoted at 4s on spot, some holders asking up to 4s 6d.

Chemicals.—Fifteen bottles of quicksilver sold to arrive in vessel unnamed at 2s 3½d. On spot 3s was asked.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £4088. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £1964; wine, £70; ale, porter, and beer, £26; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £969; sugar and molasses, £160; confectionery, £11; harbour and light rates, £108; pilotage, £47; colonial and distilled spirits, £25; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £562; excise on beer, £130. Total, £4088.

EXPORT MARKET.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 91 bales of wool were manifested, 144 arrived coastwise and 63 bales were received by rail at Newcastle yesterday.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, May 13.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURNS.

The Bank of England reserve of notes and coin is £23,813,000, as compared with £22,720,000 last week and £25,612,000 during the corresponding week last year. The proportion of reserves to liabilities is 43·27, as against 44·60 last week and 51·40 last year. The circulation is £27,557,000, against £27,793,000 last week and £27,410,000 last year. The complete returns are:—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes issued	£48,925,000	Government securities	£11,015,000
		Other securities	5,785,000
		Gold and silver coin	32,125,000
	£48,925,000		£48,925,000

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' capital	£14,553,000	Government securities	£13,184,000
Rest, 7-day, and other bills	3,204,000	Other securities	35,775,000
Public deposits	11,403,000	Notes	21,308,000
Other deposits	43,516,000	Gold and silver coin	2,445,000
	£72,676,000		£72,676,000

MONEY MARKET.

The Bank of England rate stands at 4 per cent., to which it was raised from 3 per cent. on the 8th April. The market rate is ⅛ higher at 3⅞ per cent.

CONSOLS AND AUSTRALIAN STOCKS.

Current quotations for Consols and Australian Government stocks, compared with those of last week and the corresponding week of last year, are as follows:—

—	May 13, 1897.	May 6, 1898.	May 13, 1898.	Rise or Fall.
2¾ per cent. Consols	113½	111	110¾	¼ fall
N.S.W. 4's, 1933, Jan.-July	129½	118½	118	½ fall
N.S.W. 3½'s, 1918, March-Sept.	108	104½	105¼	¼ rise
N.S.W. 3's, 1935, April-Oct.	101½	98¼	98	¼ fall
Vict. 4's, 1920, Jan.-July	113	111½	111	½ fall
Vic. 3½'s, 1921-26, Jan.-July	107½	104	104½	½ rise
S. Aust. 4's, 1916, Jan.-July	113	108½	109	½ rise
S. Aust. 3½'s, 1939, June-Dec.	113	104½	105	½ rise
Q'land 4's, 1915-24, Jan.-July	114½	108½	109	½ rise
Q'land 3½'s, 1924-25, Jan.-July	107½	104	104½	½ rise
N. Zealand 4's, 1929, May-Nov.	114½	112	112½	½ rise
N. Zealand 3½'s, 1940, Jan.-July	107	108	108	unch.
N. Zealand 3's, 1945, April-Oct.	100¼	99	99¼	¼ rise
Tasmania 3½'s, 1920-40, Jan.-July	108½	108	108	unch.
West Australian 3½'s, 1915-35, May-Nov.	108	104¾	104½	¼ fall

THE METAL MARKET.

Copper, Chili.—The market is firm. Spot, ⅛ lower at 51¼, three months being at 51⅜.

Tin, Australian.—Business is very firm, and ¼ rise at 66¾ on spot, and ¼ rise at 66¾ for three months.

Pig Iron.—Glasgow warrants, cash, 9d higher at 47s per ton.

Lead.—Soft, foreign, ⅛ higher at 13⅛ per ton.

SUGAR.

The market is firmer and 1½d higher at 9s 4½d for German beet 88 per cent., and 6d higher at 12s 3d for Java No. 15 D.S. cane per cwt.

BRADFORD TOPS.

Business in the Bradford market is lifeless. Prices are unchanged at 18½d for common sixties, and 19½d for super sixties.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

The English, American, and Continental markets are all pausing, but prices are firm.

No. 1 hard Duluth is quoted 8s 6d higher at 57s 6d per 480lb.

Russian cargoes (Ghirka) are quoted 8s 6d higher at 51s 6d.

Californian cargoes now due are selling at 54s 6d per 500lb.

COLONIAL GRAIN.

Fine colonial oats are quoted at 29s.

Beans are selling at 34s 3d.

Peas remain nominally at 29s.

RABBITS.

The rabbit market is dull and unchanged.

APPLES.

Adelaide apples ex India realised 16s to 20s per case.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Friday.

The wheat market was quiet to-day with values showing a slight tendency to weakness. For large parcels 5s is still being asked, and it is doubtful whether it could be obtained at less. Sales of farmers' lots, however, have taken place at less. It is reported that 500 bags have been disposed of at 4s 10d, and another 500 at 4s 7½d. The value to-day may be given as 4s 8d to 4s 9d for farmers' lots and 5s for parcels. Other lines are unchanged. Flour, £12 per ton. Bran, 1s. Pollard, 1s 2d. Chaff, £2 10s to £3 per short ton.

Sales: Adelaide Steamship Company, £8 18s.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

A fair aggregate volume of business was transacted at the Stock Exchange to-day, and full late prices ruled generally. Metropolitan Board of Works, 5 per cent. sold at £108 5s; ditto, 4½ per cent., £107 5s; ditto, 3½ per cent., 1917, £103 5s; ditto, 1927, £103 5s; Colonial Bank Preference, 30s; Commercial, 73s; National, 10s, 15s; Victoria, £10 8s; Metropolitan Gas, £7 1s, £7 3s; Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus, 12s; Silverton, 88s; T. R. Bennet and Co., 1d; Victoria Bank deposit receipts (small lot), 20s 4d, Outtrim and Howitt Coal, 2s.

Considerable business was done in wheat at 4s 4½d to 4s 6½d for fair to good quality; flour, £11 10s to £12; bran and pollard, 1s to 1s 0½d. A fair business was done in Algerian oats, milling 2s 1½d to 2s 4d, feed 1s 9d to 2s 1d; new maize, 2s 3d to 2s 5½d. Chaff dull at £2 17s 6d to £3; extra green, £3 5s. Tasmanian potatoes, £7 10s to £7 15s, duty paid; prime Victoria, £7; onions, £6; extra prime, £6 10s. A fair business was done in Tasmanian hops at advancing prices. 430 packages Ceylon tea sold at 6d to 1s 1d. 400 half-chests Panyong sold up to 5½d. 500 quarter-chests buds sold. Seed tapioca sold at £11; medium pearl, £11 10s; flake, £12. Cloves, 5d. Currants are more active at 5¾d; new sultanas, 7¾d; old, 7½d; elemes for export, 3¾d f.o.b. Malagar muscatels in trays, 1s; Barcelona nuts, 4¼d. A good business was done in sardines. There is a strong export inquiry for cyanide of potassium. Caustic soda, £10 5s; soda ash, £7; Brandram's saltpetre, £28. Hemp seed has advanced to £17, linseed £12 10s, canary seed £11. Schiedam candles sold at 5¼d; cornsacks are firm at 4s 5d f.o.b.; woolpacks on the spot, 1s 4½d, August delivery 1s 5d; branbags are in brisk demand at 3s 3d; 200 boxes IX coke tinplates sold at 15s 6d to 16s; quicksilver, 2s 9d; kerosene is much quieter, trade lots 9d.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

GRAFTON, Friday.

The Wyrallah sails to-morrow with 70 tons of meat, tallow, and hides from the Ramornie Meat Works, 5000 spokes, and 1400 bags maize.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

The Era sailed to-day for Sydney and Newcastle, via Geelong, with 927 bags and 77 bales chaff, 12 bales cordage.

The Konoowarra sailed to-day for Sydney and Newcastle with 113 chests tea, a quantity of chaff, and 50 bales cornsacks.

The Anglian cleared out at Geelong to-day for Sydney with 6266 bags chaff, 460 bags onions, 10 bags digestive meal, 53 bales chaff, and for Newcastle with 760 bags chaff.

DAIRY NEWS.

BYRON BAY, Friday.

The output of the Byron Bay Creamery for the month ended April 28 was 66 tons butter, and 10½d was paid for No. 1 butter and 10¼d for No. 2; 3½d a pound was paid for pork. The total month's pay for butter and bacon was £8000.

DAPTO, Friday.

A meeting of milk suppliers was held in the Agricultural Hall yesterday for the purpose of discussing the unsatisfactory price obtaining at present, and to decide on some course of action to compel the companies to pay a higher price. Mr. Cullen president of the Illawarra Milk Suppliers' Union occupied the chair and called upon Mr. T. Armstrong secretary of the union to state the business. Mr. Armstrong stated that they had met to decide upon what action should be taken to obtain a better price but as the attendance was small and as the principal reason of the low price seemed to be brought about by a difference between the managers, none of whom were present, it would be better to postpone the meeting and invite the managers of the various companies to attend. Several farmers spoke, advocating that the milk be kept at home for some time, and a motion to that effect was proposed; but an amendment moved by Mr. Cullen that the meeting stand adjourned until Wednesday next to allow managers to be present was ultimately carried, and the meeting terminated.

GRAFTON, Friday.

During April the Southampton Dairy Factory treated 35,600 gallons of milk for 13,260lb. butter, suppliers receiving 11½d per lb. of butter fat.

MITTAGONG, Friday.

Supplies to the Mittagong Creamery of the Berrima District Farm and Dairy Company were paid 5½d per gallon for milk supplied during April.

ROBERTSON, Friday.

The half-yearly meeting of the Waratah Dairy Company was held last week, Mr. James Alcorn (chairman of directors) presiding. The report and balance-sheet were unanimously adopted. For the six months the butter sales amounted to £2313 11 2d, the suppliers receiving £1905 2s 11d. The bank overdraft had been reduced to £494 9s 6d.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Friday.

REVIEW OF THE WEEK.

The unsettled state of the weather throughout the week had a rather depressing effect upon the markets, business being considerably restricted in consequence. Supplies received coastwise were small, the arrivals by rail being much lighter than the previous week. The principal movements in prices were confined to a rise in maize, oats, and potatoes, and a fall in bran, pollard, and chaff. Maize sold readily at 2s 3d, the price advancing to 2s 6d at the end of the week owing to a temporary heavy decrease in the delivery. Oats sold well, values being firmer in sympathy with the higher prices in New Zealand. Both bran and pollard continued dull of sale even at lower rates. Both local and imported chaff commanded a moderate amount of attention, prices being a trifle weaker. Lucerne had steady sale at quotations. Straw and oaten hay were in request, the latter being a shade dearer. The shrinkage in the supply of potatoes coastwise and by rail, combined with the advanced prices in New Zealand, caused a strong demand for potatoes. All varieties found ready sale at higher rates. Onions sold well, especially prime quality. In dairy produce a good deal of business was done in all lines. Temporary scarcity was responsible for a big rise in eggs. Other lines underwent no change.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

A moderately good business was transacted in general produce to-day. Apart from a rise in local potatoes and a fall in bran, prices underwent little or no appreciable alteration. Maize was rather scarce, but buyers were not anxious to operate at yesterday's advanced prices. Oats had attention, other feed-grain lines being in steady request at late rates. The inquiry for bran and pollard continued slack, and for the former lower rates were accepted. Imported chaff was dull of sale up to £4. Local makes commanded a fair amount of attention at £3 5s to £4 per ton. Lucerne sold steadily at late quotations. Potatoes were in active request, local sorts being about 10s per ton dearer. Circulars were in better demand, £6 10s being the top price for best available. A good sale was experienced for onions. In dairy produce a fair amount of business was done. Butter and eggs were scarce, especially the latter. Eggs were considerably dearer and rather irregular in price. As high as 1s 11d per dozen was realised. The rise is only temporary, the market being almost bare to-day.

FEED-GRAINS MARKET.

Maize.—Rather scarce. Prime quoted at 2s 6d per bushel.

Oats.—New Zealand prime feed quoted 2s 8d, other sorts up to 2s 6d; local feed oats, prime 2s 3d to 2s 5d; others, 2s to 2s 2½d per bushel.

Barley.—Cape barley, 2s 9d to 3s per bushel.

Peas.—Blue, prime, 4s 3d to 5s; grey, 3s 3d per bushel.

Chickwheat.—Prime, 3s 3d to 3s 6d; other qualities to 3s per bushel.

BREADSTUFFS.

Flour.—Leading roller brands, £12 upwards; wheat quoted 4s 9d prime samples.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Both bran and pollard were dull of sale at quotations. Bran was quoted at 8½d to 8¾d, and pollard at 9d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime, £4 5s to £4 10s; medium, to £4; chaffing sorts, £3 5s to £3 7s 6d per ton.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed, £2; extra prime, £2 10s; imported, £2 5s; local bundled, £2 5s to £2 10s per ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime, £2 15s to £3; other qualities to £2 10s; inland, to £2 15s; prime, dry green, £3 to £3 2s 6d per ton.

Chaff.—Imported: Medium, £3 12s 6d to £3 15s; prime, £3 17s 6d to £4. Local: Prime £3 15s to £4; good medium, £3 5s to £3 12s 6d per ton.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian Circulars, £6 10s. Local: Prime, £6 7s 6d to £6 15s; medium, £5 15s to £6 5s per ton; New Zealand, £6 10s per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Honey.—Plentiful. Garden honey, 2d to 2½d, very choice 3d per lb.

Beeswax.—Choice, 1s per lb.

Onions.—New Zealand, £7 15s to £8; Victorian, £6 10s to £6 15s per ton.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, 5d; bulk, 4d per lb.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Finest creamery, 14d; factory, 13d to 13½d; South Coast Company quote creamery, 14d; Berry Creamery, 14d; Foley Brothers quote best creamery 14d per lb.

Bacon and Hams.—Mild-cured, 7d; hand-cured prime, 6½d to 7d; second-class, 6d; farmers', 5½d to 6d; middles, 7½d; Bodalla sides, 7½d; flitches, 7d; middles, 8½d; local hams, in cloth, 8d to 8½d; very choice, 9d; New Zealand, Queensland, and mild cured, choice, 9d; English, 10d per lb.

Cheese.—Prime loaf, 4½d; choice, 5d to 5½d; large, 4d to 5d; Cheddar, 5d to 5½d; Bodalla, 6d; New Zealand, large to 4½d, medium 4½d to 4¾d; loaf, 5½d per lb.

Eggs.—Extremely scarce. South, 1s 8d to 1s 10d; railways, 1s 10d to 1s 11d per dozen.

Poultry.—Fowls, 2s to 2s 6d, choice 2s 9d to 3s 3d; ducks, 2s 6d to 3s; Muscovy ducks, 3s to 4s; geese, 4s to 5s; turkeys, cocks 5s to 9s, prime 10s, hens 3s 6d to 5s per pair.

THE WOOD MARKET.

Small supply. Good demand for good wood, inferior quality hard to move. Firewood, good 11s to 13s; rough, 6s to 7s; bundles, good, 9s to 10s 3d; inferior, 6s to 7s 6d; billet, good, 8s to 9s; inferior, 5s to 7s; bakers' split, good, 7s 6d to 8s 3d; large green, 6s to 7s; dry, 7s to 8s per ton.

REDFERN SALE.

At the Redfern Railway Terminus Produce Markets this morning a good supply of nearly all descriptions of produce was submitted at auction. Potatoes were in active demand at advanced prices, other lines being in fair request at about late rates. Prime chaff made to 4s, good medium 3s 3d to 3s 7d per cwt. Prime oaten hay realised 4s 7d, and good quality 4s per cwt. Prime lucerne hay in medium-sized bales had attention at 3s to 3s 2d per cwt. Bran sold at 8½d, and prime feed oats at 2s 3d per bushel respectively. Potatoes found ready sale at a rise of about 10s per ton. Prime brought 6s 5d to 6s 9d, and good medium 5s 10d to 6s 1d per cwt. Pumpkins were in request at 1s to 1s 6d, and extra prime large at 2s 7d. A few preserving melons fetched 9d per dozen.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions of produce actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Chaff, 30 trucks; lucerne, 2; hay, 3; potatoes, 20; pumpkins, 9; oats, 2; bran, 1; turnips, 1; and preserving melons, 1. Among the consignees were:—Messrs. Dent and Perry, Hough Brothers, A. M'Arthur and Co., S. B. Bond, Robinson, Grimes, and Co., H. M. Sutton and Co., John W. Gray and Co., Heaton Brothers, Robert Little and Co., Ellis and Co., John Bridge and Co., and H. Prescott and Co.

Supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From Marriott, Carcoar, (truck No. 4776) 3s 4d; Pratley, Minore, (x133 and 6878) passed; Ross, Newbridge, (3243 and 3912) passed; Robertson, Dubbo, (10024) passed; J. Bullock, Blayney, (4508) 3s 8½; Woolard, Newbridge, (4584) 3s 7d; Chittenden, (1520) 3s 8d; Downey, Mary Vale, (535) 3s 3d, (2240) 3s 1½, (3817) 3s 2d; Lyster, Cargo-road, (9830) 3s 11d; Broomfield, Rydal, (4196) 3s 7d; C. H. Brunskill, Wagga, (3800 and x130) passed, (2497) 4s, (3635) 3s 10d; M'Dermott, Millthorpe, (9921) 3s 8½; Hawke, (1980) 3s 2d, (611) 3s 3d; Rogers, Harden, (7414) 3s 7d; Mahn, Mary Vale, (6560) passed; M'Kibbin, Ilrewongle, (2583) 3s 3d; Davidson, Glen Innes, (4131) 2s 5d; Winter, (700) 3s 9d; Sherry, (6456) 3s 4d; Bolton, (6735) 3s 8½; M'Kenzie, (939) 3s 6d; Foster, Wimbledon, (9828) 3s 7d per cwt.

Hay.—From Hennessey, Menangle, (6277) passed; Bell, Perth, (5289) 4s; Johnson, Tarana, (3841) 4s 7d per cwt.

Lucerne.—From Barr, Moonbi, (26631) 3s, (9814) 3s 2d per cwt.

Potatoes.—From Order, Guyra, (447) passed; Maxon, Ben Lomond, (3061) part 6s; Trim, Guyra, (1259) 6s 4d; Regan, Ben Lomond, (8307) 5s 6d; Order, Guyra, (555) part 6s; A. Menzies, Black Mountain, (7968) 5s 10; P. Williams, (986) 6s 9d; Leece, Uralla, (1258) 6s, (3472) 6s 1d; O'Brien, Goulburn, (6101) 6s 1d; Williams, (95) 5s 4d; Churchhill, (5250, 9934) passed, (221) 5s 6d; Maloney, Guyra, (4274) passed; W. H. and Co., Glen Innes, (6781) 5s 8d; Walsh, Ben Lomond, (731) 6s 5d; J. Baker, Piper's Flat, (4891) 6s 7d; Glasson, 4s and 5s 7d; Sawtell, Jangothlin, (8434) passed; Uta, Glen Innes, (7141) 6s per cwt.

Turnips.—From Graham, Liverpool, (2729) 6s per cwt.

Bran.—From Neven, Quirindi, (8641) 8½d per bushel.

Oats.—From Drabsch, Guyra, (7207) passed; Armstrong, Tarana, (2208) 2s 3d per bushel.

Melons.—From Spence, Emu Plains, (1443) 9d per dozen.

Pumpkins.—From Dillon, West Maitland, (2812) 1s 3d; Hall Brothers, Aberdeen, (8042) 1s, (6730) 1s 3d, (7187) 1s 4d, (7484), 1s 3d; Smith, Penrith, (4288) 2s 7d; Marchant, Emu Plains, (469) 1s 1d, preserving melons 1s 9d; O'Sullivan, Penrith, (x96) 15s (per ton); Order, (6963) 1s 6d, and rios 1s 10d per dozen.

PRODUCE RETURN.

The following is a return of the principal lines of produce received by rail at the Redfern railway terminus produce markets for the week ended Friday, May 13, together with the figures for the corresponding period of the previous year:—Hay, 51—37 trucks; chaff, 60—43; straw, 10—8; potatoes, 274½—14 tons; bran, 54—17; pollard, 24—7½; Maize, 1½ nil; wheat, 37—6 tons.

FRUIT MARKETS.

Good supplies of all varieties of seasonable fruits were under offer at the Bathurst-street Markets this morning. Business continued steady, movements in prices being few and of little importance. Apples were plentiful, the inquiry being rather slack at about late rates. Pears had a moderate amount of attention, as did passion fruit. Citrus fruits moved slowly at yesterday's prices. Bananas sold steadily up to 2s per bunch.

Current quotations were:—

Lemons.—Local, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; choice, 4s to 5s per gincase.

Oranges.—Local, second crop, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; prime, 5s to 7s; choice, 8s; main crop, rough 2s to 3s, good 3s 6d to 4s, choice seedlings, 8s to 9s per gincase.

Pines.—Common, 4s to 4s 6d, choice 5s to 5s 6d per case.

Passionfruit.—4s 6d to 7s 6d a gincase; choice, 3s to 4s half-case.

Pears.—Hobart: Napoleons, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; Winter Nelis, 5s to 6s 6d; Swan Eggs, 2s 6d to 3s, inferior sorts, 2s to 3s per quarter-case; Melbourne pears, 4s to 5s per case.

Bananas.—6d to 1s 6d, choice 2s per bunch, 5s to 7s per case.

Persimmons.—2s to 3s; choice, 3s 6d per half-case.

Quinces.—3s 6d to 4s 6d; choice, 5s per gincase.

Tomatoes.—2s 6d to 3s, choice 3s 6d, green 2s to 2s 6d per half-case.

Mandarins.—Second crop Thornies, 3s to 4s; prime, 5s to 6s; main crop, choice 2s 6d to 3s 6d per half-case; other varieties, 4s to 6s a gincase; Emperors, 2s 6d to 4s 6d per half-case.

Loquats.—2s to 4s 6d per half-case.

Apples.—Local: Dessert, prime, 6s to 7s; others, 3s 6d to 5s; choice, 8s to 10s; cooking, 5s to 6s a gincase. Tasmanian apples: Scarlets, 4s 6d to 5s 6d; choice, 6s to 7s; Crabs, 5s 6d to 7s; Adam's Permains, 4s 6d to 6s; Crow Eggs, 4s to 5s; Alexanders, 4s 6d to 5s 6d; Hollow Crowns, 4s to 4s 6d; New York Pippins, 5s 6d to 7s; Stone Pippins, 4s 6d to 5s 6d per case.

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S. B. Bond (late Bond and Carroll), 86 Sussex-st., Auctioneers and Produce Salesman. Auc. s. dly., Redf.—Advt.

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JOHN SEE and CO., 317 Sussex-street, General Produce Merchants. Sales by Auction and Privately.—Advt.

STOCK AND STATION PRODUCE.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association (Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, John Bridge and Co., Limited, Dalgety and Co., Limited, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Wyly, Trenchard, and Co., J. C. Young and Co.) report:—

Sheepskins.—The principal feature of the market this week was the very evenly distributed competition from both local and export buyers, the range of values, however, remaining unchanged. Quotations: Full-wools, 5d to 5½d; medium, 4d to 4½d; short, 2½d to 3½d per lb.

Hides.—Fair-sized catalogues were submitted at the usual weekly sales held yesterday. The market opened firmly, good conditioned hides, as usual, meeting with the strongest demand, but towards the close the demand slackened, and prices had an easier tendency for all ordinary descriptions. Quotations:—Meatworks hides, superior and good heavy, 5d to 5½d per lb.; medium, 4½d to 4¾d; light, 4½d to 4¾d; butchers' heavy (60lb. and upwards), best 4½d to 4¾d; fair to good, 4½d to 4¾d; picked heavies, 5d to 6½d; medium (50lb. to 59lb.), good 4½d to 4¾d; ordinary, 4d to 4¼d; faulty, 3½d to 3¾d; Queensland, 4¼d; light (30lb. to 40lb.), good, 4d to 4½d; medium, 3½d to 4d; faulty, 2d to 3½d; Queensland, 4d to 4¼d; dry station, 4½d to 5½d; faulty, 2d to 4½d.

Tallow.—At yesterday's sales there was a good attendance of buyers, with strong competition from both sections of the trade. The quality of the offerings was good, consisting mainly of mixed tallows. The market showed a decided improvement, and the healthy tone reported last week was again in evidence, an improvement to the extent of from 7s 6d to 10s per ton for mixed, and 12s 6d for occasional lots of prime being noticeable. The clearances were, on the whole, excellent. Beef tallow was somewhat scarce, but the one or two lines offering shared in the improvement noted on other qualities. Quotations: Prime mixed, £18 17s 6d to £19 5s; extra choice lines, to £19 10s; good mixed, £18 10s to £18 15s; medium mixed, £18 to £18 7s 6d; prime beef, to £19 10s; medium beef, none offering; broken, small, and inferior parcels, £15 to £16 5s per ton. The number of casks offered was 354, of which 321 were sold.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery report.—Hides: With small supplies and a full attendance of buyers at yesterday's auctions rates for lights and mediums were strongly maintained, but competition for ordinary butchers' heavy hides was dull, and prices consequently showed a decline on late rates. Tallow: A brisk demand prevailed at this week's auctions, both shippers and local users freely participating in the bidding. The catalogues consisted almost exclusively of mixed sorts, which advanced from 10s to 15s per ton. Sheepskins: The usual quantity of skins were forward at this week's auctions, and competition for all classes was extremely well sustained, the stronger tone noted last week for short sound pelted lines being again in evidence. Full wools were very scarce, and eagerly taken.

PROPERTY SALES.

At the property sales to-day there was better competition than at any of the auctions for a month past, and a large number of lots were bought. Rent-producing premises were most inquired for, and brought prices quite up to the level of any that have lately been current. They are not very high, and still give the purchasers a good—we may say a high—return on present rentals, and, therefore, it will not be matter for surprise if business should go on to improve. The following reports have been supplied:—

Richardson and Wrench, Limited, report having sold by auction and private contract during the week the following properties:—Terrace of six houses fronting Castlereagh-street, Redfern, for £2700; leasehold hotel property fronting Mitchell-street, Glebe, for £850; cottage fronting Glen-street, Marrickville, for £375; small property, Surry Hills, for £275; semi-detached cottage fronting Burton-street, Camperdown, for £130; also block of land on building lease, fronting York-street, city, at £225 per annum; and several portions of Holt-Sutherland Estate subdivisions, Highfield and Sylvania, at 40s per acre per annum.

BONDED STOCKS.

Stocks in bonded warehouses, Sydney, for the week ended May 13 were as follows:—

Rum, puncheons, 25; rum, hogsheads, 395; rum, quarters, 878; rum, octaves, 54; rum, cases, 2484; brandy, hogsheads, 118; brandy, quarters, 1865; brandy, octaves, 432; brandy, cases, 19,778; whisky, hogsheads, 181; whisky, quarters, 4325; whisky, octaves, 1929; whisky, cases, 61,383; white spirit, puncheons, 24; white spirit, hogsheads, 160; white spirit, quarters, 322; white spirit, octaves, 207; all other spirits, puncheon, 1; all other spirits, hogsheads, 4; all other spirits, quarters, 38; all other spirits, octaves, 7; all other spirits, cases, 1137; geneva, casks, 2; geneva, cases, 6938; schnapps, cases, 12,379; gin, cases, 4260; liqueurs, cases, 2701; still wine, butts, 9; still wine, hogsheads, 32; still wine, quarters, 1625; still wine, octaves, 290; still wine, cases, 11,124; sparkling wine, cases, 4948; opium, cases, 49; beer, hogsheads, 3047; beer, barrels, 97; beer, kilderkins, 32; beer, cases, 16,654; sugar (including refineries), tons, 12,975; tobacco, manufactured, quarter-tierces, 169; tobacco, manufactured, boxes, 188; tobacco, manufactured, cases, 2731; leaf tobacco, hogsheads, 475; leaf tobacco, tierces, 357; leaf tobacco, cases, 81; leaf to acco, bales, 117; cigars, cases, 1030; cigarettes, cases, 371; snuff, cases, 7. Colonial Spirits—Rum, customs, hogsheads, 597; rum, customs, quarters, 409.

NEWCASTLE TRADE REPORT.

NEWCASTLE, Friday.

Wholesale houses report having transacted a satisfactory volume of business during the week just closing. The flour market has been fairly active, and both N.S.W. and Victorian brands are bringing from £12 15s to £13. Potatoes have advanced to £6 10s for local and £7 for New Zealand lots. Oats have hardened to 2s 8d, and other lines of produce are quoted as follows:—Chaff, £4; bran, £4; pollard, £4 5s; lucerne hay, £3; oaten hay, £3 15s; onions, £8; and maize, 2s 6d.

Business in all lines of dairy produce has remained active, but there are no alterations in values to record. Butter has met with good inquiry at the following rates:—Keg, 1s 2d; prints, 1s 3d; factory, 1s 1½d to 1s 2d; separator, 1s 1d; pastry, 1s; inferior lots, 1s.

The inquiry for kerosene still continues, and 7s is easily obtained. Rice is very firm, and has now reached £19 10s to £20. Oatmeal, in sympathy with the advance in the price of oats, has hardened to £14 10s to £18 10s, according to brand and quality. In dried fruits the most noticeable feature has been an advance in the value of currants, which are now selling at 5d. Other lines of groceries and general merchandise are without material alteration.

Rates for foreign freights remain as follow:—San Francisco 17s; Honolulu, 17s; San Diego, 16s; Hongkong, 14s; Java, 15s; Mauritius, 17s; Singapore, 15s; Shanghai, 18s to 19s; Manila; Yokohama, offers; Valparaiso, f.o. Pisagua range, 17s 6d to 18s 6d.

The exports for the week include:—For foreign and intercolonial ports, 51,397 tons coal; for Western Australia, 400 head cattle and 600 sheep; for London, via Brisbane, 619 tons silver bullion.

FRUIT PESTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—After a careful perusal of your report of the meeting of the Fruitgrowers' Association and the intention of a deputation to ask the Minister for Agriculture to alter present regulations enforced re diseased fruit, I think that agents, growers, and Minister have overlooked the real cause of the spread of disease throughout the colony. It is not the fruit that takes it on the orchards, but the cases. I have had some experience with diseased fruit as sent to market for sale by our own and colonial growers, and in several instances I have seen the fruit and cases fairly a mass of crawling insect life that ought to be condemned either at home or abroad; but to condemn a case of otherwise good fruit because a few scales are visible with a glass on an apple or orange is carrying things too far. I venture to say not 5 per cent. of the fruit in Sydney market is free from disease; and is the other 95 per cent.* unfit for use? I say no. Only it wants judgment. Badly diseased should be condemned at home or abroad; slightly passed, until our own orchards could produce fruit as good as that imported or clean-grown.

But, as I said before, it is not by the fruit the disease is spread, but by the cases. Take a shipment of apples. One-half is consumed in Sydney; before eating is generally peeled, rind going to the dirt tip, Moore Park. But what about the cases? They are collected and resold to fruit agents, and by them distributed to their clients broadcast over the colony either by sale or hire. Certainly it is the grower's fault if, having a clean orchard, he for a few shillings' gain buys or hires old cases; but a few shillings saved these times is a lot to a drowning man.

And now for the other half of the shipment. It is generally in the hands of the agent, and he has orders from shopkeepers in half the inland towns for three, six, or a dozen cases, which are forwarded in due course per rail or boat. The fruit is sold in the towns as in Sydney; but the fruiterer gradually accumulates Hobart Town cases, packers, and dumps, which he disposes of to the local orchardist at a small price. Certainly the grower is to blame to buy, but, as before, a few shillings tell. Not one apple or orange gets on to an orchard; it is the case that conveys the disease.

Now, can any remedy be suggested so as to allow slightly diseased but good fruit to be admitted, and yet the cases dealt with? I think so. Let it be made compulsory for every grower, if he sold fruit in our market, before the empty case was allowed to be loaded either on cart or rail or boat, or received by intercolonial steamer as returned empties, that they receive a bath of caustic soda. The great question is how this is to be done in the height of the fruit season without causing too much delay. Certainly, a public bath for each market, charge one farthing per case for bath and certificate slip, and make it penal to sell old cases in the country. By some such means as this the present friction between Minister, agent, and grower would be overcome, and to my mind the principal cause in the distribution of every description of orchard pest effectually dealt with. It may be said, "Stop the fruit, and you stop the diseased case;" but it would be impossible (without total prohibition) to stop diseased fruit. I have before me an apple from a late shipment, as passed by inspectors, on which is scale; and I say it is impossible to stop it without shutting fruit out altogether.

There is no necessity to go to any such length. Certainly, badly diseased fruit should be excluded, but fair admitted; but in every case under the glass there will the microbe be after the fruit is removed; and to prevent its return or to exclude it from our orchards by the simple method I have suggested should not be above the collective wisdom of the F.G.A. and the Agricultural Department.

With respect to trees, cuttings, &c., a bath of Beaudeau or Clissold compound would fix that up.

I am, &c., ORCHARDIST.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

LAND AND HOUSES.

W. BRADLEY and CO.—On the Ground, Randwick, at 3, Land.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

G. P. BAINES.—On the Premises, Katoomba-street, Katoomba, at 2, Furniture, Piano, &c.

EVANS and CO.—On the Premises, Grafton-street, Waverley, at 2.30, Furniture, Crockery, Glassware, E.P. Ware, &c.

A. G. JENKINS.—At his Rooms, at 10.30, Furniture, Pictures, Dinnerware, &c.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At Newtown Markets, at 3, Furniture, &c.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

DENT and PERRY.—At Redfern Station, at 9.15, Hay, Straw, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

DENT and PERRY.—At Newtown, at 7, Wood, &c.; at Darling Harbour, at 8, Wood, &c.

A. D. GIBBONS.—At the Nursery, Chisholm-road, Auburn, at 2.30, Pot Plants, Ferns, Trees, &c.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

Fewer stocks were dealt in on the Mining market yesterday, the exchanges being wholly in gold-mining ventures. The feature was the recovery in Associated Gold Mines, and the improvement in closing quotations of Western Australian gold ventures. There were no noteworthy alterations in regard to others.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.			VICTORIA.		
Stockton	3/8	4/	New Birthday	—	5/
Vale of Clwydd	—	8/	Star of the East	20/	20/9
Wallsend	19/17/6	20/7/6	QUEENSLAND.		
Wickham and Bullock Island	8/3	9/	Brilliant	10/9	—
Ditto New	3/6	4/3	Oriental and Glanmire	—	25/
Ditto, pref., £1 paid	20/6	—	Victoria G.M. Association	7/3	7/6
COPPER.			WESTERN AUSTRALIA.		
Girilambone	7/	9/	Associated	74/	74/6
Ditto, "A"	1/	2/1	Boulder Central	12/	—
Nth. Nymagee	1/3	2/3	Brookman's Boulder	22/	—
Queensland M. P. and I.	44/	—	Brown Hill Central	1/6	2/3
Ditto, con.	42/	—	Brown Hill Junction	2/6	3/
SILVER. New South Wales.			Golden Horseshoe	8/10/	9/5/
Broken Hill Proprietary	42/6	43/6	Great Boulder	19/7½	20/
Block 14	19/3	—	Ditto, Main Reef	26/6	30/
Junction Consolidated	1d	—	Great Boulder Perseverance	65/	75/
North Broken	—	6/9	Hannan's Block 45	5/9	6/1
B. H. South, paid	8/6	10/6	Hannan's Pride of the Valley	9d	—
Overflow	—	4/	Ditto, con.	1d	3d
Ditto, cont.	—	3/6	Hannan's Reward N., con.	9d	—
TASMANIA.			Ivanhoe	5/15/	6/7/6
Mount Lyell	14/12/	12/16/	Ivanhoe South Extended	6/	8/
GOLD. New South Wales.			Ivanhoe Junction	10d	—
Baker's Creek	—	7/9	Kalgoorlie Bk. of England	23/6	—
Baker's Creek Consols	—	1/6	Kalgoorlie Mint	12/	—
Cobar Great Western	2/9	3/	Kalgurli Nth.	30/	34/
Falzner's	7/6	8/	Kalgurli Sth.	39/	44/
Mount David, paid	3/6	3/9	Lake View Consols	8/17/6	9/5/
Mt. Drysdale	—	4/9	Lake View South, paid	19/6	21/6
New Bushman's	2/	6/	Monte Cristo, con.	5½d	8d
Nh. Gibraltar	1/3	2/	Princess Margaret	—	5/6
Ditto, con.	8d	1/	Queensland Menzies, pd.	13/4½	14/
Occidental	3/3	4/			
Parkes G.M. and Q.C.	—	2/			
Peak Hill	—	1/6			
Ditto, con.	—	1/4			
Star Lead No. 1, paid	—	2/6			
Sunlight	—	5/			
Victory Forest Reefs	4/	5/			
West Sunlight, paid	—	2/6			

The following sales were reported:—Before 'Change—Gold: Band and Albion Consols, 3s 11½d. Morning—Gold: Mount David, paid up, 3s 7d; Occidental, 3s 6d; South Glanmire and Monkland, 24s 6d; Kalgurli Gold Mines, £5 10s 6d. Noon—Gold: Birthday, 1½d; Mount David, paid up, 3s 7d; No. 1 South Great Eastern, 15s 4½d; Star of the East, 21s 3d; Associated Gold Mines, 71s, 71s 6d, 72s 6d, 72s 9d; Queensland Menzies, paid up, 13s 6d. Afternoon—Gold: East Minerva, contributing, 8d; Associated Gold Mines, 73s, 73s 6d, 74s; Queensland Menzies, paid up, 13s 6d.

After the last meeting of the Exchange the following sales were reported:—Gold: Mount David, paid up, 3s 8d, 3s 7½d, 3s 8d; No. 6 North Phœnix, 2s 6d, 2s 7d; Oriental Extended, 4d; Associated Gold Mines, 74s 6d; Hannan's Block 45, 5s 9½d.

The following cablegram from the London office of the Broken Hill Proprietary was posted yesterday on 'Change:—"London, May 12, 6 p.m.:—Silver, 2s 2 7-16d; lead, £13 15s; shares, 42s."

ADELAIDE, Friday.

To-day's Stock Exchange sales and quotations were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, 43s, 42s 9d, 43s, buyer 43s; B. H. South, contributing, 8s 8d; Associated Gold Mines, 71s 6d, 71s 3d, 74s 9d, buyer 74s 9d, seller 75s; Hannan's Block 45, 5s 4d, 6s 1d, 5s 10d, 6s 1d, buyer 6s, seller 6s 2d; Boulder Central Extended, 3½d, 4d, seller 5d; Boulder Consols No. 1, 3s 1d, buyer 3s 1d, seller 3s 2d; Boulder Half-mile South, 1s 5d, 1s 6d, buyer 1s 7d; Brookman's Golden Arrow, 1s 4½d, buyer 1s 4d, seller 1s 5d; Brookman's Boulder, 30s, 30s 6d, buyer 30s 6d, seller 31s; Brown Hill Junction, 2s 9d, 3s, buyer 3s, seller 3s 3d; Brown Hill Central, 1s 8½d, buyer 1s 9d, seller 1s 10d; Cumberland, contributing, 2s 5d, 2s 6d, 2s 3d; Golden Zone, contributing, 1s 7d, 1s 7½d, buyer 1s 8d, seller 1s 10d; Great Boulder, 19s 7½d, buyer 19s 6d, seller 19s 9d; Great Boulder Main Reef, 27s 9d, buyer 27s 6d, seller 28s 6d; Hannan's Central Extended, 1s 8d, 1s 9d, buyer 1s 9d, seller 1s 10d; Hannan's Eureka, 5d; Hannan's Oroya, 14s, buyer 13s 9d, seller 14s 6d; Hannan's Reward North, contributing, 10½d, buyer 11d, seller 1s; Imperial Boulder, 3s 1d, 3s 3d, buyer 3s 2d, seller 3s 4d; Ivanhoe, £5 12s, £6, £5 19s 3d, buyer £5 19s, seller £6 1s; Ivanhoe South Extended, 7s 1d, 7s 6d, 7s 5d, buyer 7s 5d, seller 7s 6d; Ivanhoe Junction, 10d, 11½d; Kalgoorlie Bank of England, 24s 3d, 24s 6d, buyer 24s 3d, seller 25s; Kalgoorlie Proprietary, 4s, 4s 6d, buyer 4s 7d, seller 4s 8d; Kalgoorlie Mint, 12s 4½d, 12s, buyer 11s 9d, seller 12s 11½d; Kalgurli Gold Mines, £5 14s, buyer £5 13s, seller £5 16s; Kirkpatrick Consolidated, 5½d; Lady Mary, 4s 11d, buyer 4s 10d, seller 4s 11d; Lady Mary South, 11d, buyer 1s 1d, seller 11d; Lake View and Boulder East, 10d, buyer 9d, seller 11d; Lake View South, paid, 19s 6d, 20s 6d, 20s 3d, buyer 20s 4½d; M'Pherson's Reward, 9d, buyer 9½d, seller 1s; Midas, 5½d, buyer 5½d, seller 6d; No. 1 North Norseman, new, 2s 3d, 2s 4d, buyer 2s 4d, seller 2s 6d; Premier South, 8d, buyer 8½d, seller 9d; Royal Mint South, contributing, 3½d, 3d; Southern Boulder, 5½d, seller 6d; South Kalgurli, 39s 9d, 41s, buyer 40s 6d, seller 41s 3d; Warrior Menzies, 5½d, buyer 5½d, seller 6d.

AUCKLAND, Friday.

The New Zealand Crown mine crushed 1667 tons of stone during the month for a return of the value of £3081.

ALBANY, Friday.

Captain Barker, of the Record Reign mine, has returned from a prospecting tour of a month in the Stirling Range. He has brought a large quantity of quartz, including rich specimens found at three different places in the range. The stone is nothing like that got on any of the goldfields of the colony, but Captain Barker says that the formation and appearance of the country are similar to Coolgardie.

BRISBANE, Friday.

To-day's Queensland Stock Exchange sales were:—No. 1 South Orient and Glanmire, 1s 9d; Nos. 3 and 4 Glanmire Tribute, 6d.

Brisbane Stock Exchange sales:—No. 1 North Oriental and Glanmire, 73s, 72s, 74s, 75s, 76s; Great Eastern, 1s 2d; Minerva, paid, 5s; East Minerva, contributing, 8½d; Raff's Great Western, paid, 4s.

CUE, Friday.

The Peake Hill mine has crushed 330 tons of stone for 1056oz. gold. The crushing is only half completed, owing to the boiler requiring repairs.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Friday.

To-day's Stock Exchange sales were:—Brilliant Central, 7s 3d to 7s 1d; Clark's Brilliant, Worcester, and Victory, 4s 9d, 4s 10½d; Day Dawn School Reserve, paid, 10d; Identity United, contributing, 10d; Lady Florence, 2s 9d; Marshall's Queen, contributing, 1s 6d, 1s 5½d; Moonstone Consols Block, contributing, 5d; Moonstone Treasure Block, contributing, 4½d; ditto, paid, 1s 4d; Queen Cross Reef, 7s 9d, 7s 6½d; Victoria Gold-mining Association, 7s 4d.

GILGUNNIA, Friday.

Sloane and party are negotiating the lease of the five-head stamper battery of the Tarcombe Gold-mining Company for erection at the Four-mile. On the Trilby mine at the Four-mile Wilson and Hedger have completed the sinking to 100ft., for which they received Government aid, and are now driving with Government assistance. The country so far proved is highly mineralised.

Prospectors.—Osmetti and party are pushing on work in connection with the Prospectors' mine, and are raising satisfactory ore for an early crushing. Gloucester and Handcock at the Silver Ray have between 5 and 6 tons good-grade ore at grass. This party have a fair body of stone in view, should this crushing prove as satisfactory as anticipated.

The parties working the No. 1 East Silver Ray property are pushing on energetically, and have very fair prospects.

The shareholders in Her Dream have about 60 tons of stone at grass for an early crushing. A considerable amount of deadwork has been done lately on this mine preparatory to more extensively working the property.

At the Hidden Treasure Siegel and party are energetically sinking the new shaft, which has every indication of being on Her Dream line of reef.

Kerves and party are raising ore from the Rising Sun, and are also doing a considerable amount of deadwork.

The Tarcombe Tributors (Blakeway and party) have been raising stone, and expect to get a crushing through shortly.

GYMPIE, Friday.

Mr. Thomas Smith reports:—Black's New Zealand crushed 110 tons of stone for a yield of 111oz. gold. No. 2 Great Eastern crushed 1033 tons for a yield of 913oz. A dividend of 1s per share has been declared, payable on Monday. Phœnix No. 4 North has declared a dividend of 9d per share, payable on Monday.

Sales: Columbia and Smithfield, 13s 6d, 13s 8d; Glanmire and Monkland, 25s 5d, 25s 4d; No. 2 Great Eastern, 17s 3d; New Zealand No. 1 North, 9d; Oriental No. 1 North, 7s 8d, 7s 9d; Smithfield and Golden Pile, 10s.

To-night's quotations: Great Eastern, No. 1 South, seller 15s 7d, buyer 15s; Great Eastern No. 2 South, seller 49s, buyer 48s.

KALGOORLIE, Friday.

At Kanowna Armstrong and Spalding crushed at Dwyer's battery 41 tons of cement for 287oz. gold. Dodson and Harty by the Haycraft process treated 43 tons of stone for an average yield of 5oz. 18dwt. gold per ton. Slater and Davern, at the Robinson battery, crushed 12 tons, averaging 2½oz. per ton.

LITHGOW, Friday.

The rainfall is causing some stir in mining centres, both alluvial and quartz. There has been very little doing lately at Brisbane Valley and Locksley. It is stated that during the past week a man on Sewell's Creek got 17oz. of gold in two days.

MELBOURNE, Friday.

There was a fair extent of business in mining companies to-day. Sales: Associated Gold Mines, 78s, 74s; Tindal's, 98s; Glen Estate, 18s 3d; Glen Fyne North, 4s 6d; New Mariner, 12s 6d; Chalk's Junction, 14s 9d, 14s 6d; Great Southern, 55s; Great Southern Consols, 27s; M'Evoy, 3s 7d; North Prentice, 43s 6d, 43s; Southern and Prentice, 11s 6d; Johnson's, 33s 6d; South New Moon, 7s; Long Tunnel, £88; Long Tunnel Extended, £25 10s, £24 15s; New Loch Fyne, £5 18s, £5 16s, £6; South German, 7s; Landy's Dream, 2s 3d; Loch Fyne United, 3s 2d; Moliagul, 1s 6d, 1s 9d; New Garibaldi, 2s 1d; ditto, paid, 3s; Queensland Mining, 42s, 43s, 41s, 42s 6d; ditto, paid, 49s, 47s 6d, 48s; Chillagoe Proprietary, £1650; Chillagoe Estate, £17, £21; Chillagoe United, £35; B. H. Block 10, 60s; Mount Lyell, £12 13s; North Mount Lyell, 52s; Crown Lyell, 7s 6d, 7s 11d, 7s 9d; ditto, paid, 9s 3d, 9s 11d, 9s 1d; Curtin and Davis, 1s 7d; Glen Lyell, 7d; Great Southern Lyell, 9½d, 10d; Hercules, 22s, 23s 6d; Lyell Tharsis, 23s, 24s 3d; Mount Lyell Blocks, 2s 3d, 2s; North Lyell Consolidated, paid, 6s 6d, 6s 8d; Prince Lyell, 1s 9d, 1s 9½d; Red Hills, 5s 6d, 5s; Rocky River, 5s; ditto, paid, 7s, 7s 6d; South Lyell Tharsis, 59s; Comet, 3d; King Lyell, paid, 1s 4d; North Crown Lyell, paid, 2s 3d, 2s 4d; North Prince Lyell, paid, 6d; Prince Lyell, paid, 2s 6d, 2s 8d; Royal Tharsis, paid, 3s 1d; West Lyell Extended, 6d; Brothers' Home No. 1, 3s 6d.

WEST WYALONG, Friday.

Fresh discoveries of gold-bearing stone are reported from the Hiawatha rush, and applications for permits are being lodged daily, some of the ground sought for being four miles from the prospectors.

DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified:—

No. 2 Great Eastern, Gympie, May 16, 1s.
Phœnix No. 4 North, Gympie, May 16, 9d.
Victor's Quartz, Wood's Point, May 17, 6d.
Llanberris No. 1, Ballarat, May 23, 6d.
New Normanby, Ballarat, May 23, 6d.
B. H. Proprietary Block 10 Company, May 25, 2s.
Brilliant and St. George United, 1s.

YIELDS.

GOLD.

Black's New Zealand, Gympie, 110 tons, 111oz.
No. 2 Great Eastern, Gympie, 1033 tons, 913oz.
Star of the East, Ballarat, 370oz.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Avenia Gold-mining Company, Limited, week ended May 7.—Total drives, 209ft.

Broken Hill Junction North Mining Company, Limited.—Main shaft: Total depth, 106ft. below 750ft.; ground still hard for sinking. 750ft. level: Drive north-east of level; total, 129ft. from main crosscut. The lode looks remarkably well, ore broken being first-class quality for mill. Stopes in back of level are being worked through to 640ft. level from main winze south to No. 2 winze, in good faces of friable ore; and north as far as north winze, as high as tenth floor. Stopes north have improved a little since last reported, but going towards the south; winze is still mixed with mullock so as to make everything secure for working through to 640ft. 420ft. level: Rise in back of level, total 76ft. in all above back of level. Ground continues about the same. At present rate of rising and sinking we shall form a connection in about five weeks from date. 220ft. level: Winze, total 27ft. below bottom of level. Ore despatches: Locally, first sulphides, 140 tons; to Port Adelaide, first sulphides, 223 tons; to Port Pirie, first sulphides, 173 tons.

Broken Hill Proprietary Block 10 Company, Limited, week ended May 4.—Campbell's shaft, 715ft. level: Stopes show very little change; assays, 21·8oz. silver, 16 per cent. lead, and 19·2 per cent. zinc. 615ft. level: North drive, total from crosscut 110ft.; face of drive continues very hard. Assays, 29·1oz. silver, 12·6 per cent. lead, and 16 per cent. zinc. Stopes yielding ores assaying 20·7oz. silver, 15·3 per cent. lead, and 24 per cent. zinc. Kelly's shaft, 715ft. level: Total from crosscut, 189ft. Face of drive still in unproductive ground. Stripping sides between shaft and winze; material broken assays 14·1oz. silver, 14 per cent. lead, and 22 per cent. zinc. 615ft. level: Drive south, total from crosscut, 121ft. The lower half of drive is in intrusive material, but upper portion continues in ore assaying 19·4oz. silver, 19·5 per cent. lead, and 23·2 per cent. zinc. South stopes producing ores assaying 17·7oz. silver, 18·9 per cent. lead, 20·7 per cent. zinc. North stopes yielding ores assaying 14oz. silver, 25·1 per cent. lead, 23·5 per cent. zinc. 515ft. level: Several stopes show very little change. Those south-east are producing ores assaying 14·9oz. silver, 25·1 per cent. lead, 25·5 per c. zinc. South stopes give 16oz. silver, 13·4 per cent. lead, and 25·4 per cent. zinc. South-west stopes give 16·4oz. silver, 11·9 per cent. lead, and 22 per cent. zinc. 465ft. level: Drive north yielding ore assaying 13·1oz. silver, 17 per cent. lead, and 25·7 per cent. zinc. Stopes give 12·8oz. silver, 19·3 per cent. lead, and 25·7 per cent. zinc. 415ft. level: Stopes south of shaft, producing ore assaying 17oz. silver, 12·9 per cent. lead, and 29·7 per cent. zinc. Those north of same give 17·5oz. silver, 21·8 per cent. lead, and 19·8 per cent. zinc. During week concentration plant treated 2777 tons crude ore, assaying 15·25oz. silver, 18·32 per cent. lead, and 23·93 of zinc, producing 537 tons 2cwt concentrates, assaying 30·59oz. silver, 65·63 per cent. lead, and 8·6 per cent. zinc. Ore despatched for week, as per statement, 1005 tons 14cwt. 2qr. gross, being concentrates to Messrs. John Darling and Son. Concentrates on hand, 595 tons 5cwt.

Bayley's Consols Gold-mining Company, No Liability, Coolgardie, May 2.—During fortnight operations confined breaking ore from stopes at 120ft. and 200ft. levels. Quartz in bottom level continues very hard.

North Nymagee Copper-mining Company, No Liability, week ended May 7.—No. 1 shaft, western crosscut: Total 84½ft. Drive still in country, but should be in vicinity of the quartz lode showing on surface. No. 2 shaft: Total 11½ft. below 200ft. level; the ground has been very hard. No. 4 shaft: Total 177½ft.; no change. No. 5 shaft: Cleaned up; total 38ft. from surface, or 42ft. from brace. Obliged to stop this shaft for the present, as men required to carry on No. 2 shaft, which is most important.

North Tasmania Gold-mining Company, No Liability, Beacon-field, May 4.—200ft. level: Winze sunk 13ft.; several nice specks of gold seen in stone; also contains copper pyrites and galena in large quantities. Bagged about 10 tons second-grade ore ready for shipment. Sinking of shaft continued by contract. Driven crosscut south from 250ft. level, to test parallel lodes, from which good results were obtained in upper levels.

New Bushman's Hill Goldmine, Parkes, week ended May 7.—Bushman's shaft, 300ft. level east: Men stoping; have broken through to old workings; reef varying from 6in. to 1ft. 480ft. level east: Men back stoping; reef 6in. to 9in. Main shaft, 700ft. level east: Back stoping; reef 9in. 700ft. level west: Back stopes on reef averaging from 8in. to 9in.; looks equal to last month's returns. No. 1 winze: Total from brace, 25ft.; reef 6in. to 8in. No. 2 winze: Total, 112ft.; reef 1ft., and to all appearances making larger; country easier breaking ground. Sent to battery 108 tons, crushed 125 tons.

Queen Margaret Gold-mining Company, Limited, Bulong, W.A. (by telegram), May 9.—300ft. level: Drive south on lode in 292ft.; face carries little gold. 200ft. level: Drive north on lode in 405ft. All stopes same value. Commence public crushing next Wednesday.

HURSTVILLE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The refuse nuisance was again brought under the notice of the Hurstville Council at a special meeting held at the council-chambers on Monday evening last. A letter was received from Dr. Armstrong, medical officer of health to the metropolitan combined districts, and which was accompanied by an attached letter from Dr. James M'Leod, of Hurstville, which had been forwarded by the latter to the former gentleman, as follows:—"Sir,—In connection with recent outbreaks of diphtheria and scarlet fever in the district, I beg to draw your attention to the fact that numbers of people are in the habit of burying their refuse in their yards. Facilities are offered by the council for removing the soil by carts, but the people concerned refuse to avail themselves of the opportunity. In the interests of public health I would suggest that a strong letter be sent by the Board of Health to the Hurstville Council in order that the matter may be prominently brought before the people." Alderman Sproule said that when he was Mayor complaints were frequently lodged with him in reference to persons burying refuse in their own yards. He realised the difficulty which beset him, because the council could not insist on householders engaging the contractor. He had pointed this out to the persons complaining, and said if they caught anyone committing a nuisance to inform him and he would proceed against them, also intimating that he would require the persons complaining as witnesses. To this they objected, and the matter there ended. The Mayor agreed with Alderman Sproule, and said that the difficulties which beset the council were greater than would appear at the first glance. It was decided, on the motion of Aldermen Austin and Richards, that the inspector be instructed to obtain all information from the contractor and report to the council.

The jellyfish has no teeth, but uses himself as if he were a piece of paper when hungry, getting his food and then wrapping himself about it.

"A half-hour's work in the garden before breakfast on a bright, dewy, sunny morning is the best tonic in the world," says a physician. "It is far better than the nostrums many pale and languid men and women are taking."

WE ARE NOT GOING TO ARGUE

Whether the authorities are doing the correct thing in condemning so much Fruit; we leave these interested to thresh the matter out, but there is one point upon which there can be no argument, and that is that the N.S.W. FRESH FOOD and ICE CO., Limited, is the only Company in the Colony who supply Milk that

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POULTRY CLUB OF N.S.W.

The Poultry Club of N.S.W. met at the clubrooms, King-street, last evening, when the president, Mr. H. M. Hamilton, occupied the chair. The following were appointed as stewards for the forthcoming show:—Messrs. S. Francis, J. R. Richardson, J. Waugh, S. R. Watkins, K. K. Ramsay, F. Thompson, G. H. Moulds, W. W. Smith, V. Wilson, W. F. Weeks, H. Shepherd, R. Graham, C. Pattison, George Attwood, and T. H. Grant. Mr. Andrew, of Melbourne, wrote that he would not be able to judge Orpingtons at the show, and Mr. Walter Hope was appointed in his stead. Mr. Hunter M'Pherson wrote enclosing a list of conditions in connection with a challenge cup he presented for the best British brown-red or duckwing cockerel bred in the colonies.

AMERICAN (OR BRITISH) SEAMEN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—It may be interesting to your readers in the present crisis to note the opinion of a prominent English public man as to the character of a large percentage of the seamen in the United States Navy. I enclose, therefore, a cutting from an English newspaper showing the remarks of Mr. E. J. C. Morton, member of Parliament for the Devonport (English) constituency (which town, it is scarcely necessary to add, has the second largest dockyard in the Empire). The hon. gentleman should, therefore, be competent on the subject on which he speaks; and he gravely informed the House, not being contradicted in the reply from the Treasury Bench, that the best of the American seamen are trained in the British service. I append the extract, enclose my card, and am, &c.,

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"In the House of Commons, March 18, 1896, in committee on the Navy Estimates, Mr. E. J. C. Morton, junior member for Devonport, after referring to various grievances of men in the navy, said:— . . . It has been said over and over again that it is much easier for you to get men for the navy than for the army, and that therefore the men in the navy must be recognised as having greater advantages. There are many reasons why the navy should be preferred; there is the sentimental liking for the sea; not only so, but the parent knows that when his boy joins the navy he is taken off his hands, and that he gets the best education of any man in the artisan class. Moreover, after 10 years whilst the man is still young he may retire and can always reckon upon getting good employment. These are sufficient reasons why the navy should be popular. I have, however, been looking into the statistics. The last return we have was for the three years ending with 1891. I find that exactly 33 per cent. of the men in the navy for those three years did not rejoin after their first 10 years of service. This means a terrible loss to the British taxpayer as well as to the navy. It cost the nation £300 to make an able seaman. Obviously you don't get the full value of the man until he is an able seaman, that is until he is 21. Then you have a comparatively short period of service; he may leave you at the age of 28. Surely the second 10 years, from 28 to 38, are likely, if you can retain him, to be of the greatest value to the service. But we lose one-third of our men at the age of the first 10 years; only two-thirds go on. I recollect about 10 years ago a statement was made by the then Secretary of the American Navy. There was an agitation in America in favour of a training ship being provided for the American Navy, but the secretary said that there was no need whatever for a training ship for their purposes, because they could get the finest personnel in the world from men who had served their first 10 years in the British Navy. It follows upon this that we are spending our money to a large extent to provide sailors for the American Navy. As in the American Navy they have no such heavy initial expenses as we have, they can afford to pay their men a higher wage, and a man after the first 10 years in the British Navy is under a great inducement to take service with the American Government. I have been told at the time of the scare about Venezuela about two years ago it was a difficulty with the American Government that they had so many Britishers in their vessels that they were afraid they might not be able to depend upon them in case of war. It seems to me that it is a most desirable thing that we should try to induce the men to re-engage for the second 10 years."

TAKING COLD EASILY.

We notice that many people are susceptible to taking cold on the least exposure of the body to sudden changes of temperature. The body becomes overheated and is then suddenly cooled, or you sit in a draught, and very soon you are sneezing and coughing, and possibly inflammation sets in, and you land flat on your back. Of course even the strongest system will at times take cold when unduly exposed, but we know one thing, and that is, that the more vitality the system has, the less likely is it to contract colds and inflammation.

Improvement in nutrition is always followed by improvement in the general health, which means that the system has vitality, energy, healthy flesh, and resistive power.

Let us turn to the letter of Miss Rozea, which seems to admirably illustrate our arguments.

"Having heard of and seen the benefits derived by friends from use of Scott's Emulsion, I was induced to take it myself, as I was a sufferer each succeeding winter from coughs and weak chest, accompanied with considerable loss of flesh and weakness. I found from the commencement of using your Scott's Emulsion a very marked improvement in my health. It at once eased my cough, and gave me relief from pains in the chest. I took in all about seven bottles, by which time I had amazingly increased in weight, the cough, &c., had quite left me, and have not again recurred. In all ways I felt better and stronger, and am not now so quick to catch colds as I was wont to be. I have great pleasure in forwarding you this statement, and feel that I cannot speak in too high praise of your very valuable preparation. Faithfully yours, (signed) Miss E. A. ROZEA, Edgeware-road, Enmore, Sydney, N.S.W., July 8th, 1897."

Commenting on the foregoing letter, we can only say that Scott's Emulsion is the easiest and most palatable form of cod-liver oil, combined with hypophosphites and glycerine. It is an admirable specific for coughs and colds and local inflammation of throat and lungs. But it is of more importance, viewed from a medical standpoint, as a remedy to improve nutrition, and thus give the body strength to resist evil influences. Let us trust that you will remember Scott's Emulsion before you are reduced to a state of weakness and emaciation.

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THE CONDITION OF CUBA.

Just before the outbreak of the Spanish-American war the "St. James's Gazette" published an article from its special correspondent on the condition of Cuba. In it the writer says:—One-half has not yet been told of all the distress and destitution prevailing in Cuba at the present time. General Weyler's order of "concentration" is responsible for the horrible conditions now prevailing. Weyler made no concealment of his policy. It was a policy of extermination, a policy which has before now been successful in the hands of Spanish commanders. He saw very soon after his arrival as the successor of Martinez Campos that if the campaign was conducted on purely military lines it was almost hopeless to expect that the Spanish troops could crush the rebellion. In a fair stand-up fight the insurgents were no match for the regulars to which they were opposed. For every man Maceo and Gomez could bring into the field Spain could put 10, and the insurgents were armed with machetes, while their opponents had modern rifles. In the early days of the war the insurgent chiefs brought their men into the field and gave battle. Sometimes they were victorious and as often they were defeated; but defeat or victory was equally costly. The insurgents could not afford to lose a single life; Spain could lose many and not feel it. Every arm capable of wielding a machete was of priceless value to the cause of Cuba Libre; the gaps in the Spanish ranks were easily closed up by fresh drafts of raw boys from the Peninsula.

It was Gomez, undoubtedly the ablest man the rebellion has produced, a man of superior intelligence and with considerable knowledge of military tactics, who devised the policy of passive resistance. He saw that the only way to defeat Spain was to allow her to fritter away her strength. There were to be no more battles, no more regular engagements, in which the insurgents were likely to find themselves outnumbered. When forced to it the Cubans were to fight; unless driven, they were to run away and annoy their opponents. It was a mode of warfare for which the Cubans were peculiarly adapted. They were familiar with the country, they could penetrate the dense underbrush at pleasure, they were accustomed to the climate. From nowhere apparently would spring up a band of insurgents who would fall upon a detachment or a convoy. There would be a sharp engagement, often as not the Spaniards would flee and allow the insurgents to obtain the much-coveted ammunition of which they stood so much in need, or the medical stores, only one degree less valuable than cartridges. If the Cubans were outnumbered, if they found themselves in danger of extermination, they scattered into the brush like rabbits followed by a dog, and pursuit was out of the question. An hour or so later, perhaps, the commander of the detachment recently attacked found a dozen or so Cubans peacefully working in the fields. There was nothing to identify them with the attack, there was nothing to prove that they bore arms against Spain. Apparently they were peaceful negroes with nothing more serious to occupy their thoughts than the dish of sweet potatoes which was to constitute their dinner when they returned to their cabins in the evening. These innocent and seemingly stupid natives were the backbone of the Cuban army. They were ready at any time to drop their spades for the machete, to exchange the hoe for the rifle. As a military measure, Weyler drove these men out of the fields into the cities. They must either join the insurgent army or herd in the cities; they could not be tillers of the soil one moment, in open rebellion against Spain the next, without suffering the consequences.

It early became apparent that this policy of concentration meant destitution, starvation, and death. The cities were unable to feed themselves, much less the thousands driven in from the outside. There was only one thing left to the reconcentrados, that was to die, and the sooner they died the sooner their misery was ended. At first the unfortunates attempted to do some cultivation of the fields on the outskirts of the cities in which they were quartered; but when their scanty crops appeared, they became the loot of the soldiers, whose condition was little better than that of the insurgents. Weyler was told that his order of concentration meant extermination. He smiled grimly. The quicker the insurgents were exterminated the sooner the rebellion would be put down. So long as there were Cubans there would be rebellion.

It is impossible to say how many Cuban men, women, and children have been starved to death—actually starved to death because they were penned up in a city and were unable to obtain food. No accurate statistics have been kept. I have been told that the victims number not less than 500,000; and, on the other hand, I have heard it said that these figures are at least 50 per cent. too high. Probably 300,000 would be correct, these figures being the result of two independent investigations. The death list, however, is not yet complete; it is increasing every day. In Havana women and children walk the streets, emaciated and hollow-eyed, prolonging their miserable lives by the coppers thrown to them by English and American travellers. These unfortunates come to the open doors of the cafes asking for money or for the bread upon the table, and when it is given them they will devour it like famished dogs. Havana has managed to take care of her destitutes in a fashion, but in every other city the suffering apparent on every side is heartrending. In Matanzas and Sagua la Grande the American Consuls have small funds at their disposal provided by their Governments to be used for the relief of American subjects. This relief, in the form of money or food, is distributed daily, and long lines form in front of the Consulates waiting for the promised dole. Women whose husbands were rich, children who were brought up in luxury, young girls bearing all the marks of refinement, mixed in with Cubans and negroes, stand often for hours in the hot sun waiting for the little dole which is the only thing between them and death. Officially this succour is only for Americans by birth or naturalisation; but, to the credit of the Consuls, it must be said that they do not inquire too deeply into nativity, and render all the assistance possible without regard to race.

The policy of concentration has been somewhat relaxed under General Blanco; but it is now too late for any improvement to be hoped for, unless Spain votes large grants to the natives. To turn them out into the fields is to turn them out to die. Their thatched huts are destroyed, their crops are ruined. In six weeks or two months they can raise crops if they are given something to plant; but in the meantime they must starve while waiting for the earth to yield its abundance.

Some little attempt has been made recently by the Spanish Government to alleviate the distress; but, like everything else which the Government undertakes, it fails of its purpose because of the corruption of the executive officers. Money and supplies intended for the starving are diverted and go to line the pockets of the men who find the war the most profitable and the safest occupation in which they can be engaged. There is no risk, and the returns are sure. Unprejudiced persons best able to form an opinion believe that the Spanish official classes are not anxious to bring the war to a speedy conclusion. The Spaniards are not naturally cowards: the rank-and-file in their numerous engagements with the insurgents, from all accounts, have fought with considerable bravery. The officers, however, have quickly tired, and early withdrawn when the fighting got hot. So long as the war goes on they make money, as every captain draws rations for his company, and he is sure to requisition for the nominal strength. If he leaves Havana with 70 men, and in a week 10 are killed or sent to the hospitals, he is still drawing rations for the full number. What becomes of the surplus? Spain's troops in the field are not much better off than the insurgents. They are a trifle better clothed, they are very little better fed. Spanish corruption is at the bottom of it all, and it is this profound dishonesty which makes it impossible for 200,000 Spanish troops to crush a handful of almost naked negroes and half-castes, and which will probably cost Spain the last important vestige of her once mighty American empire.

HOSPITAL SATURDAY FUND.

The following additional collections have been received:—

Amount acknowledged, £3065 12s 5d; employees Hotel Metropole, Limited, £6 9s; Hotel Metropole, Limited, donation, £1 3s; employees Thomas Elliott, Springvale, £2 14s 10d (making a total of £21 19s 10d); employees John Danks and Co., Limited, £2 2s; W. F. Coxon and Co., Limited, £1 1s; employees Allen and Hunter, Balmain, 18s; Mrs. Bentwitch, Petersham, 14s; employees Bunce and Woodlands, 13s 4d; amounts under 10s, 19s 8d. Total, £3084 7s 3d.

OUTDOOR COLLECTION.

Glebe.—Town Hall, Miss E. Sybil Wilkinson: Amount £5 19s 8½d, should be £7 12s 11½d.

Paddington.—Glenmore-road and Oxford-street: Amount £3 9s 10½d, should be £5 16s 7½d.

City.—Hunter and Elizabeth streets Waiting-room: Amount £10 11s 10½d, should be £11 6s 6½d.

Amongst the donations for *Hospital Saturday* was a parcel of cards from Messrs. Down, Philp, and Co. to assist the ladies in collecting from the Chinese residents.

The Waverley fete, postponed from Saturday last, will take place to-day.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

The following race meetings were yesterday granted registration by the A.J.C.:—Dalton, Greenbah (Moree), and Boggabri Amateur Jockey Club.

Pharamond, early in the week, bolted with his rider along the Bunnerong-road, and receiving a knock, one of his legs has filled a good deal at the fetlock joint.

Mr. W. R. Wilson desires to secure Aurum as a sire, and has made a request to Mrs. Langtry that he may be given the first refusal of the son of Trenton and Aura when his racing days are over.

The following scratchings were recorded yesterday in connection with the Moorefield May Meeting:—Kogarah Stakes: Marton. Welter Handicap: Thema and Rockdove.

E. Davis, who was so successful with his horses at the Wagga and Narrandera race meetings, has arrived at Caulfield with a gelding named Golden Shore, a couple of two-year-olds by Sunrise from Inheritance and Maud S., and a grey gelding by Mercury from Butterfly II., the dam of Daimio.

The members of the Narrandera Club have reason to be satisfied with the success of the recent race meeting, which, despite the bad season, resulted in a net profit of £75.

The conditions for the Rosehill Cup of 200 sovs., supplemented by a trophy of the value of 50 sovs., are announced in the business portion of the paper. The handicap will be over a distance of 6 furlongs, and will be run on the 25th *proximo*, in connection with the June meeting. Entries close with the secretary, Mr. P. O'Mara, at 5 p.m. on Monday, 6th proximo.

The time for receiving entries for the pony and galloway races to be held at Kensington on the 19th instant, has been extended until 5 p.m. on Monday next.

Attention is directed to the programme published in our advertising columns for the May meeting of Tattersall's Club, to be held at Randwick on the 28th instant. Entries for the different events close with the secretary, Mr. J. B. Olliffe, at 4 p.m. on Monday, at Tattersall's-chambers, Pitt-street.

Messrs. H. Chisholm and Co. have now completed the catalogues for the important sale of racehorses in training, a couple of two-year-olds, and an untried horse, belonging to Mr. S. Hordern. Welbeck and Nor'-East will be leased only for racing purposes, it being the intention of Mr. Hordern to keep them for breeding requirements. Particulars of the following 10 horses are contained in the catalogues:—Astronomer, On Guard, Cravat, Vivian, Nor'-West, Johansen, Toreador, colt by Sweet William—Melody, chestnut colt by Grandmaster from First Love, and a horse by Chester or Abercorn from Tempe. For further details of the sale reference is directed to the advertising portion of the paper.

MOOREFIELD RACE CLUB.

The May reunion of the Moorefield Race Club takes place this afternoon on the well-appointed convincing ground near Kogarah, and the bill-of-fare set down for discussion foreshadows interesting sport. The transit arrangements include special trains starting from Redfern at 12.38, 12.55, 1.3, 1.25, and 1.30 p.m., while the ordinary service to Kogarah will also be available. The track is reported to be in good order, and due provision has been made in the catering and other departments for the comfort and convenience of visitors. Racing commences at 2 p.m. with the Flying Handicap, in which Beverley, Town Clock, Ettebab, Brazen Lad, P.N., and Gozocaar have been left with good prospects; and the places may go to Keys's choice, Ettebab or Brazen Lad, who may be escorted home by P.N., and Town Clock. A large field may be expected at the post for the Kogarah Stakes, in which Cin, Beau Scant, St. Francis, Attila, Geology, Thulite, and Flintlock, and the brunt of the battle may be borne by Flintlock, St. Francis, and Cin, while Geology may be the best of the others. The Welter Handicap is almost certain to bring out a good field, and the chances of Earl Rosebery, The Gael, Cleveland, W. W. C., Sunflower, Miss Beauchamp, Pieman, and Coal Queen read about as good as most. An interesting contest may be anticipated, at the close of which W. W. C., Earl Rosebery, and Coal Queen should demand the attention of the judge. Typhoon, Lee Morna, and Luxury may get home as named in the Two-year-old Handicap, while Prince Consort should also run well forward. Cabin Boy, True Blue, Beverley, The Swell, Brazen Lad, Insulator, Pense-a-Moi, and Cleveland have none the worst of the fixtures in the Moorefield Handicap, and the situations may be occupied by Beverley, Insulator, and Pense-a-Moi, with True Blue as the best of the others. The afternoon's sport will be brought to a close with the Stewards' Mile, in which Speculation, Crysalite, Annadour, Faraday, Dozon, W.W.C., Prince Charlie, Ennis, Miss Beauchamp, and Coal Queen appear to be nicely suited at their respective weights, and the places may go to W.W.C., Annadour, and Prince Charlie, while Coal Queen, and Crysalite should be very handy at the finish. Appended is the programme:—

Flying Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Loch Marie, 9st 9lb; Beverley, 9st; Town Clock, 8st 10lb; Ettebab, 8st 10lb; Brazen Lad, 8st 8lb; P.N., 8st; Speculation, 7st 10lb; Gozocaar, 7st 6lb; Pax, 6st 13lb; The King, 6st 7lb.

Kogarah Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Gautme, 9st 5lb; Klondyke, 8st 11lb; Hector, 8st 11lb; Cin, 8st 11lb; Theorum, 8st 5lb; Beau Scant, 8st 5lb; Ingomar, 8st 5lb; St. Francis, 8st 5lb; Attila, 8st 3lb; Truant, 8st 3lb; Geology, 8st 3lb; Angus, 8st 3lb; Ninepins, 8st 3lb; Thulite, 8st 3lb; Schemer, 8st 3lb; Nevermore, 8st 2lb; Ripple, 8st 2lb; Flintlock, 8st 2lb; Minnie S., 8st; Helene, 8st; The Desert, 8st.

Welter Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Robin Hood, 10st 3lb; Annadour, 9st 10lb; Earl Rosebery, 9st 8lb; Gazetta, 9st 6lb; The Gael, 9st 4lb; Cleveland, 9st 2lb; W. W. C., 9st; Sunflower, 9st; The Agent, 9st; Zoe, 8st 12lb; Miss Beauchamp, 8st 12lb; The King, 8st 12lb; Peter, 8st 10lb; Fireman, 8st 8lb; Red Light, 8st 8lb; Pieman, 8st 8lb; Mirage, 8st 7lb; Lethe, 8st 7lb; Williamstown, 8st 7lb; Angus, 8st 7lb; Jewel King, 8st 7lb; Coal Queen, 8st 7lb.

Two-year-old Handicap, 5 furlongs.—Typhoon, 9st 5lb; Luxury, 8st; Lee Morna, 7st 7lb; Prince Consort, 7st; Plain Until, 6st 12lb; Solem, 6st 12lb; Vocalist, 6st 10lb; Ferrall, 6st 10lb; Fogyama, 6st 10lb; Housemaid, 6st 10lb; Grandora, 6st 7lb; Lyrist, 6st 7lb.

Moorefield Handicap, 1¼ mile.—Cabin Boy, 9st 8lb; True Blue, 9st 4lb; Beverley, 8st 10lb; The Swell, 8st 9lb; Brazen Lad, 8st 4lb; Insulator, 8st 1lb; Glendennon, 8st 1lb; Nevertire, 7st 12lb; P. N., 7st 10lb; Pense-a-moi, 7st 7lb; Quatrat, 7st; Cleveland, 7st; Blanche Florence, 6st 7lb; Jack the Robber, 6st 7lb; Bellwood, 6st 7lb.

Stewards' Mile.—Loch Marie, 10st 12lb; Inspiration, 9st 10lb; Wat Tyler, 9st 10lb; Speculation, 8st 10lb; Crysalite, 8st 10lb; Annadour, 8st 8lb; The Sketch, 8st 6lb; Merrigal, 8st 6lb; Hereward, 8st 4lb; Faraday, 7st 12lb; W. W. C., 7st 12lb; Blanche Florence, 7st 12lb; Dozon, 7st 12lb; Lilydale, 7st 12lb; The Agent, 7st 12lb; Prince Charlie, 7st 10lb; Blackcock, 7st 10lb; Miss Beauchamp, 7st 10lb; Peter, 7st 8lb; Hector, 7st 8lb; Ennis, 7st 7lb; Ninepins, 7st 7lb; Schemer, 7st 7lb; Stranger, 7st 7lb; Coal Queen, 7st 7lb.

DUBBO TROTTING CLUB.

DUBBO, Friday.

The Dubbo Trotting Club has decided to hold a meeting on the Brighton Racecourse, near Sydney, early in July, when some big prize money will be offered. Already the club have been informed that the full strength of Mr. J. A. Buckland's string will compete, in addition to candidates from the stables of Messrs. C. H. Fitzgerald and J. Rutherford (Dubbo), and Dr. Slate and Mr. C. Knight (Sydney). The champion trotter *Fritz* will give an exhibition trot on the day of the meeting. Mr. Herbert Tanner has been appointed secretary of the club in succession to Mr. William Hunter, who recently left Dubbo.

INVERELL JOCKEY CLUB.

INVERELL, Friday.

The adjourned meeting of the Inverell Jockey Club was held last evening, when the question of postponing the race meeting next month was finally dealt with. After some discussion it was decided to adhere to the former dates, namely, June 7 and 8.

GUNNEDAH RACES.

GUNNEDAH, Friday.

The Christmas Race Club held its winter meeting to-day, when the results were as follows:—

Opening Handicap.—Plain Bill, 1; Othmar, 2; Tanner, 3.
Hack Race.—Idalia, 1; Klondyke, 2; Rainbow, 3.
Show Handicap.—Othmar, 1; Stirling, 2; Truth, 3.
Hack Race.—Idalia, 1; Lady May, 2.
First Australian Horse Handicap.—Native, 1; Toff, 2; Rugby, 3.

FOOTBALL.

THE BADGE MATCHES.

HOSPITAL SATURDAY.

The various badge competitions under the auspices of the metropolitan branch of the New South Wales Rugby Football Union will commence to-day, and the proceeds will be handed over to the hospitals—or, in other words, to-day is "Footballers' Hospital Saturday."

On the Agricultural Ground the Third Junior engagement between Forest Lodge Cambridge and Alexandria Premiers is set down for decision at 2 o'clock; and at 3.15 the senior clubs, University and Pirates, will measure strides, kicks, and tackles. The admission will be 6d, and trams will run direct to the ground. The positions of the goals have been altered, and now the ground runs parallel with the new stand.

The Sydney Cricket Ground (northern area) will be the scene of the Wallaroo and Sydney match. The new junior club has given its opponents such a shaking up in the practice fixtures that much interest is being taken in its opening match. The ball will be kicked off at 3.15. At 2 o'clock the first junior match, Adelphi and North Sydney, will be decided. Trams will run direct to the ground.

On the University Oval the only match is the senior one between Randwick and Paddington, and this will start at 3 o'clock.

Mr. A. J. Somerville has been elected to represent the Orange branch on the N.S.W. R.F.U., vice Mr. H. A. Langley, resigned.

CYCLING.

CYCLISTS' UNION.

The Union having obtained the use of the Sydney Cricket Ground for the 17th September will on that day hold their annual amateur Australasian championship race meeting. The chief item will be the 10 miles championship of Australasia, to be ridden under the new reciprocity agreement with Victoria and Queensland, while the half-mile will be ridden on the following Saturday at the Sydney Club's meeting.

The interest in the Century run to be held on Queen's Birthday continues, and the arrangements for the convenience of the competitors are almost complete—in fact, nothing but fine weather is now needed to ensure the success of the gathering.

CRUSADERS' CYCLING CLUB.

Mr. W. E. Chessell is the new honorary secretary of the Crusaders' Cycling Club. The new secretary promises a revival of interest in the club. Several interesting fixtures have been arranged.

SYDNEY BICYCLE CLUB.

At the last committee meeting of the Sydney Bicycle Club, held at the club rooms, Elizabeth-street, it was decided to play the North Sydney Bicycle Club a friendly game of cricket on the 21st instant. Out of respect for the late Mr. James Martin (president of the Cyclists' Union) the members of the club will wear a crape band for one month. The club's championship race meeting, to be held on September 24, was discussed and programme was adopted. The club's annual road race was fixed for June 18.

The American cyclist Anderson, who, it will be remembered, rode a mile in a minute on a prepared track behind a locomotive, states his intention, with the aid of similar pacemaking, to endeavour to complete a mile in even less time.

The new rules adopted by the National Cyclists' Union re the division of cash prizes is as follows:—"The amount payable as prizes for any race open to professional riders shall not be divided into less than four prizes for each event, and the proportions shall be as nearly as possible as follows:—One-half to the winner, one-quarter to the second man, one-sixth to the third, and one-twelfth to the fourth. One or more lap prizes may be given on conditions which shall, when possible, be advertised and printed on the programmes of the meeting.

E. Archer, the New Zealand amateur, has lowered the 10 miles amateur record to 22 minutes 28 seconds. The 25 miles and the hour records have also been reduced by Hill, the new times being 57 minutes 52 seconds and 26 miles in the hour.

Gibbons Brooks, the English rider, who competed in the team races against Megson, Lewis, and Payne while they were in England, has retired from the track.

It is stated that the real reason why Zimmerman will not go abroad this season is because the promoters of the races for him decline to accede to the terms he demands.

CRICKET.

To-day will mark the conclusion of the Second Grade Competition. The round started last Saturday, but the weather was so unfavourable that only one match—North Sydney v. St. George—was commenced. Should the wickets prove treacherous it is quite on the cards that several matches will be finished, notwithstanding the present short afternoons; but, on the other hand, should the turf be sound, the probability is that most of the engagements will be drawn.

GOLF.

The entries for the Hampden Cup, which carries with it the championship of New South Wales, are at present coming in very slowly. The first match is to be played on the 28th instant on the Royal Sydney Golf Club links at Bondi. Entries close on the 21st instant, and should be sent to the honorary secretary either of the Royal Sydney or the Australian Club.

The continued unfavourable weather has, as might be expected, considerably interfered with play on the various *links*; but this has not prevented an appreciative increase in the membership of the Royal Sydney Club, 20 names having been added to the roll of that club since the annual meeting, and of these 12 are associate members.

The Australian Golf Club will hold a competition for the Cadogan Cup on Saturday, and a very fair number of entries have been received.

On the Australian Club's links this afternoon the annual match for the Cadogan Cup will take place, and as the entries are numerous the competition may be expected to be keen. It will, no doubt, be found, in view of the very wet weather for some time past, that there is plenty of water on the course, and where free from water the ground is sure to be heavy, and consequently against first-class scoring. The present holder of the Cadogan Cup is Dr. F. H. Hughes, who won it last year.

ATHLETICS.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

The combined metropolitan harrier clubs will hold a paper chase at Fern Bay this afternoon. The hares, Messrs. R. C. Reid (Forest Lodge), J. Kelly (Sydney), and D. H. Monro (Darlinghurst), will leave the Fern Bay pavilion at 4 o'clock sharp, and the pack, under the leadership of Messrs. C. Olliffe (Darlinghurst) and A. E. Southwick (Forest Lodge), will start in pursuit at 4.10 p.m. In the evening the harriers and their lady friends will hold a dance.

YACHTING.

ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON.

The season of 1897 and '98 was closed last evening by the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron with a "mess dinner" at Baumann's Cafe, at which the commodore, Dr. A. MacCormick, presided. About 50 gentlemen sat down to dinner, amongst them being Mr. W. M. Cameron, vice-commodore; Mr. W. Mott, Mr. A. G. Milson, Mr. H. M. Cockshott, Mr. Kelly, Mr. W. M. Marks, Mr. W. J. Murrell, Dr. Eames, R.N., Mr. Walter Reeks, Mr. F. S. Adams, and the hon. secretary, Mr. S. T. Wilson. After dinner an adjournment was made to the music hall, where a couple of hours were pleasantly spent, Mr. J. E. Sykes accompanying. During an interval the prizes won during the latter portion of the season were presented by the chairman, the principal winner being Iduna, then came Thelma, Isea, Electra, and Bronzewing. The Iduna, owned by Mr. W. M. Cameron, holds the Gascoigne Cup and also the Commodore's Cup for the present season, or until beaten, and also another prize. The Commodore's trophy is in lieu of the Dunbar Cup, which, after many hard races, was won by the Thelma. To keep up the interest in outside racing Dr. A. MacCormick has secured a very handsome cup, to be sailed for annually over the Cape Banks course. The conditions, however, are not so severe as in the Dunbar Cup, which had to be won three times in succession, and was limited to yachts under 15 tons. Dr. MacCormick has been more liberal with regard to his prize, which on being won three times by the same yacht—not necessarily in succession—shall become the property of the owner of that craft. So far it has only been raced for on one occasion, viz., this season, and after a splendid contest was won by the Iduna, sailed by her owner, the commodore's craft Thelma being second. Several appropriate toasts were proposed during the evening, and the squadron parted company shortly after 10 o'clock.

The Commodore's Cup came from Messrs. Flavelle and Roberts, and was greatly admired as a work of art.

The yachts of the squadron will assemble to-day at 3 o'clock in Farm Cove, when probably a few evolutions will be carried out under the direction of the commodore.

ROWING.

George Towns, the Australian sculler, wrote to Mr. J. Blackman by last mail. He was then in the best of health, and spoke of his match with W. Haines as exactly to his liking, and expressed surprise that the Englishman should have found backers for £200, but believed it was greatly due to the failure of Wray to beat him in the half-mile race on the Tyne. Wray had a chance to go to Germany for the season as coach to one of the large clubs, and it was probable he would take up the position. Wray had given up all idea of allowing Tom Sullivan 5 seconds start in a mile, and Towns gives it as his opinion that at the present time Sullivan is not only faster but a better stayer than the Shoalhaven man. The Barry-Stephenson match was not regarded as altogether satisfactory, but owing to the former having sprained his ankle, the race was not likely to take place on April 30, the date agreed upon. Towns expected to have a good amateur to coach for the Diamond Sculls at Henley, and he was of the opinion that any man who could outrow Ten-Eyck, the American amateur, would gain immense popularity. It was probable the American's entry would be accepted, but the feeling amongst amateurs was much against him. Towns considers the Oxford and Cambridge race was a regular farce, as the Cambridge boat was full of water before even reaching the start. The Australian is very anxious to row Gaudaur, but is doubtful if he can get backed in England, as all judges regard the Canadian as an exceptionally hard man to beat, and in this opinion Sullivan agrees. If a match cannot be made Towns will return to his home after the present English season, about August next. Mr. J. Clasper, the great boatbuilder, was in bad health, and it was feared he was in a critical state. Many of the English newspapers recorded with pleasure Beach's win on Lake Illawarra last January. He is just as popular as ever.

Prizes won at St. Ignatius' College regatta will be presented at the boathouse, Lane Cove, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Steamers to convey visitors to the college leave Lime-street wharf.

The Sydney University eight has been considerably inconvenienced by the bad conditions of weather, but Mr. Helsham has the men well in hand, and does not fear serious consequences. All the men are good oarsmen and have trained before, so they know exactly what is required of them, and are giving loyal assistance to the coach by strict observance of his instruction and restriction.

Melbourne University crew has got together under the capable coaching of Mr. G. E. Upward, who has for some years had similar crews under his care. He will go to Adelaide with the team, and no doubt will turn out a nice crew from the material at his disposal, which is as follows:—R. A. Kerr (stroke), H. Bullivant, S. D. Green, H. G. M'Ewen, Hunt, H. Brasch, Broughton, R. A. O'Brien, South, N. A. Miller, and A. Bullivant. H. Miller will be coxswain. It is probable that a strong crew will be formed, and Kerr as stroke is regarded as a very good man.

Adelaide crew will be much the same as last year's, with the exception that Connor will stroke the boat instead of Gosse, who is now at the Melbourne University.

Oxford used 5½in. blades on 12ft. 6in. oars. On such light water as the Thames with the fast running tide it is questioned whether such a length of oar and so very narrow a blade is under the circumstances the best to use. For many years the 7in. blade was regarded as quite narrow enough, and 6in. was thought to be the extreme to which oarsmen could go. It is a common expression to say the oar is driven through the water, but as a matter of fact it takes the water and leaves it in almost the same spot—the water is used to push against, and not to force out of its place. A 13st. man with a 12ft. oar and 6½in. blade should be more effective rowing 34 strokes per minute than using the longer and narrower oar at the same rate of striking.

Queensland has suggested November 26 as the date for the intercolonial eight-oar race at Brisbane. Victoria would prefer a week earlier, so that the oarsmen would be able to return in time for the Upper Yarra regatta, which will take place early in December.

DUBBO GUN CLUB HANDICAP.

DUBBO, Friday.

The Dubbo Gun Club, through their hon. secretary (Mr. E. I. M'Kenzie), announce a £50 open gun club handicap, to be shot for on their Ivanhoe grounds on Queen's Birthday. Two nominations are allowed, and the star system will also be introduced. The shooting will commence at 11 a.m. to enable visitors to return by mail train the same afternoon. Entries close on 23rd instant.

BILLIARDS.

Messrs. Heiron and Smith, billiard-table manufacturers, of 214 and 216 Castlereagh-street, announce their billiard-markers' tournament, for which prizes to the extent of £50 (£30, £15, and £5) are offered. Entries close on May 31.

LAWN TENNIS.

MAY TOURNAMENT.

The tournament was continued yesterday under much better conditions for both spectators and players. Owing, however, to the heavy rains of Thursday night the courts were nearly all too wet to play on till well after 2 o'clock. Three of them, however, were playable, and on them three matches were started at 12.30. The first of these was the meeting between Gaden and Kearney. This was expected to prove a very close and exciting match, but proved quite the reverse. Gaden played the most disappointing of games, attempting to play Kearney at his own game—safety—and never making the slightest use of his volley.

The first game went to Kearney very easily; but Gaden made a very big bid to secure the next, but it also went to Kearney. Gaden managed to take the next to 15; but Kearney, taking the next four in succession, secured the first set to one game. In the second set Kearney again secured the opening game, but Gaden had the lead at 2 games to 1, the games being very protracted. Kearney drew ahead at 3-2, but Gaden then made it 3 all. Kearney took the next two games, and, after losing the next, took the tenth game and second set to 6-4. In the third set Gaden had a strong lead at 4-2. The seventh game was a very protracted struggle and was taken by Kearney, who, then playing all over his opponent, took the next three games also, and the third set and match, 3 sets straight.

Wright put up a good performance by completely extending Rice in a splendid tussle. In the first set Rice sailed away with a good lead of 5-1, but Wright then pulled up to 4-5, but was unable to get further, and Rice took the first set at 6-4. In the second set Rice had the lead again at 4-2, but Wright again drew level at 4 all. The next two games were very protracted, and 5 all was called. Rice again took the lead at 6-5, and finally, after some close games, the second set at 9-7. In the third set Rice took the first three games to 3 strokes, but Wright *playing perfectly took the next six games* in succession by splendid play, and the third set 2 sets to 1, Rice leads. The fourth set found Wright done up, and Rice had no difficulty in securing every game and the set to love.

Another good match was that between Edwards and Crossman, the whole five sets being played. Edwards took the first three games and had the lead at 4-2 and again at 5-4, but Crossman, playing splendidly, took the next three games and the first set. The second set Edwards had the lead all through and took the set. 6-3. The third set Edwards again playing finely was in front all the time and took it to two games. In the fourth set Crossman played much better, and had little difficulty in securing the set at 6-2, his smashing being very good. In the fifth set Edwards had the lead at 2-1, but Crossman from this out held a winning hand, and took the set again at 6-2.

In the Ladies' All-comers' Singles, Miss Dransfield, playing with great judgment, defeated Miss Waters after a great tussle. Miss Waters went away with a strong lead in the first set at 4-2, but Miss Dransfield, placing beautifully, took the next four games straight to 15, 30, love, and 15 respectively. The second set was very closely fought, two of the games going to 16 aces each. The scores were level at 3 all, but Miss Waters, driving perfectly, more especially on her forehand, took the next three games straight. One set all. The third set was a battle royal, game after game going to deuce and vantage. Miss Waters had the lead at 3-1 and 4-2 and 5-4, but at 6-5 Miss Dransfield forged ahead and, maintaining her lead, took the third set at 9-7 and the match, two sets to one.

Great excitement was shown in the match between Misses Payten and Alkin and Misses Howitt and Black, the latter were owing 40, and the games were close. In the first set the Victorian pair were in the lead all through, and took the set to five games. In the second set Miss Payten and Miss Alkin played better, and holding the lead all through took it after another exciting contest at 6-5. Miss Payten's volleying was again startlingly brilliant: her net play certainly is the most powerful we have seen in a lady player. Her service and high smash are as powerful and deadly as almost anyone's on the courts.

The best tennis of the day was decidedly the match between Rice-Gaden and Kearney-Irving. The tennis in this match was most exciting, and by this time—3.30 p.m.—there was quite an attendance in the brief respite from the rain. The New South Wales pair had the lead at 3-1, but lost the next two games—3 all. Kearney and Irving took the lead at 6-5, but Rice and Gaden, forcing the pace, took the lead at 7-6 and set at 8-6. The second set was another fine tussle, the fourth game going to 16 aces; Rice and Gaden again held the lead, and took the set at 6-4. In the third set Rice and Gaden again proved too strong, and holding the lead all through took the set at 6-4.

Crossman and Edwards were too strong for Crane and Kidston, taking the three sets straight; the sets were, however, all closely contested.

The following are the results of the day's play:—

All Comers' Singles.

Crossman beat Edwards, 7-5, 3-6, 2-6, 6-2, 6-2.
Kearney beat Gaden, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4.
Rice beat Wright, 6-4, 9-7, 3-6, 6-0.
Dunlop beat Waller, 6-1, 6-4, 6-1.

All Comers' Doubles.

Crossman and Edwards beat Kidston and Crane, 7-5, 6-3, 6-4.
Rice and Gaden beat Kearney and Irving, 8-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Ladies and Gentlemen's Challenge Pairs.

Irving and Miss Bremer beat Webb and Miss Keele, 6-2, 6-2.
Clark and Miss Clift beat Edwards and Miss Black, 2-6, 6-2, 8-6.
Green and Miss Waters played Wright and Miss Woolnough, 6-4, 5-5 (unfinished).

Ladies' All Comers' Singles.

Miss Dransfield beat Miss Waters, 6-4, 3-6, 9-7.

Ladies and Gentlemen's Double Handicap.

Clift and Miss Clift beat Clark and Miss Doust, 6-2, 6-4.
"Body" and Miss Mackenzie beat Campbell and Miss Moore, 6-0, 6-5.

Gentlemen's Single Handicap.

Monahan beat Hendry, 8-6, 7-5.

Gentlemen's Double Handicap.

G. and W. Monahan beat Waller and Churchill, 6-3, 7-5.

Ladies' Double Handicap.

Misses Payten and Alkin played Misses Howitt and Black, 5-6, 6-5 (unfinished).

The following is the draw for to-day's play:—

All Comers' Singles.

Kearney v. Crossman, court 7, 2 o'clock.
Rice v. Dunlop, court 4, 10.30 o'clock.

All Comers' Doubles.

Crossman and Edwards v. Gaden and Rice, court 4, 12.30.
Challenge round, 3.30, court 4.

Ladies and Gentlemen's Challenge Pairs.

Irving and Miss Bremer v. Clark and Miss Clift, 10.30, court 2.
Green and Miss Waters v. Wright and Miss Woolnough, 10.30, court 7.
Winners of above matches, 12.15, court 7.
Challenge round, 2 o'clock, court 1.

Ladies' Double Handicap.

Miss Howitt and Miss Black v. Miss Payten and Miss Alkin, court 8, 10.30.
Miss Doust and Miss Woolnough v. Miss Johnson and Miss Plumley, court 3, 2 o'clock.

Ladies' Single Handicap.

Miss Howitt v. Miss Payten (unfinished), court 8, 11 o'clock.
Miss Keele v. Miss Dransfield, court 3, at 12 o'clock.

Ladies' All Comers' Singles.

Miss Dransfield v. Miss Payten, court 2, 2.15 o'clock.

Ladies and Gentlemen's Double Handicap.

Fox and Miss Moustaka v. Merewether and Miss Johnson, court 1, 10.30 o'clock.
Dunlop and Miss Howitt v. Dr. Hughes and Miss Cowlishaw, court 9, 11.45 o'clock.

Gentlemen's Single Handicap.

Kidston v. "Body," court 10, 11.30 o'clock.
Merewether v. Lindley, court 10, 12.15 o'clock.

Gentlemen's Double Handicap.

Merewether and Hughes v. Clift and "Body," court 1, 3.30 o'clock.
M. and C. Marsh v. Kidston and Crane, court 9, 3.30 o'clock.

Ladies' All Comers' Doubles.

Misses Dransfield v. Miss Woolnough and Miss Elliott, court 3, 3.30 o'clock.
* Miss Black and Miss Clift v. Miss Waters and Miss Howitt, court 7, 3.30 o'clock.
* Conditional.

The badge competitions under the management of the New South Wales Lawn Tennis Association will be commenced on Saturday, May 28. The season promises to be more than usually successful and interesting, owing to the increased number of players taking part, and the efforts that will be made by the Sydney and other clubs to wrest the premiership from the University. Balmain and Glen Roona will probably be again represented in the senior class, in addition to Sydney and University (with two teams each), and Ashfield, Neutral Bay, Strathfield. The B and C classes will be augmented by teams from the lower grades, whilst Victoria Park and other new clubs have decided to take part. Entries and nominations must be sent in by Wednesday next, 18th instant, to the hon. secretary, Box 275, G.P.O., from whom all particulars may be obtained. A feature of the competitions is the revival of the system of scoring by the number of games won. A pair of trophy racquets have been offered by Mr. R. M. Pitt for the players scoring the most games in at least three-fourths of the matches in class B. Other special trophies may also be presented.

A STRANGE STORY.

A story, the truth of which is vouched for in high quarters, is being told concerning the "manners" of the political members of a small country renowned for its ancient courage. The Prime Minister gave a reception to meet some distinguished Englishmen. The assemblage (says the London "Daily Telegraph") consisted solely of the strangers, the members of the Parliament, and the Prime Minister. During the course of the evening one of the more distinguished of the English guests discovered that his watch had been taken, and had to come to the awkward but inevitable conclusion that the thief was one of the guests. He went to his host and informed him of his loss, adding that he especially prized the watch, as it was a present to him from the King of the country whose guest he had the honour to be at that moment. The Prime Minister saw at once that there was only one thing to be done, and, asking for silence, explained the situation to the company. He said that no doubt someone had yielded to the temptation of the moment, but that when they learnt that the missing article was the gift of their King he was sure their loyalty, if nothing else, would prompt them to restore it to its owner. In order that the culprit's honour might be preserved and the country saved from a scandal, the lights would be lowered for five minutes, and the guests would defile past the writing-table, which would give an opportunity for the delinquent to place the watch there. Upon this the room was darkened for the stipulated time. On the lights being turned up it was found that the watch had not been placed on the writing-table, but that a valuable silver inkstand, also the gift of the King to his Prime Minister, was missing as well.

If the surface of the earth were perfectly level, the waters of the ocean would cover it to the depth of 600ft.

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AMUSEMENTS.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

It is many years since Shakespeare's splendid tragedy "Othello" was performed in Sydney, so that to-night's revival at Her Majesty's Theatre will prove a dramatic event of considerable importance. Apart from the wide reputation enjoyed by Mr. Wilson Barrett as Othello, it has to be remembered that the star now enters upon his farewell appearances in this city. "Othello," with Miss Maud Jeffries as Desdemona, will only be played three times, as on Wednesday afternoon and evening Mr. Barrett will stage "Virginius." Sheridan Knowles's drama will be performed also on Thursday evening, which will be the occasion of the last appearance of the Wilson Barrett Company. To-night's cast will be as follows:—Othello, Mr. Wilson Barrett; Iago, Mr. J. Carter-Edwards; Cassio, Mr. T. Wigney-Percyval; Roderigo, Mr. Ambrose Manning; Brabantio, Mr. Horace Hodges; Duke, Mr. Edward Irwin; Montano, Mr. Paul Belmore; Lodovico, Mr. D. M'Carthy; Gratiano, Mr. Percy Foster; Antonio, Mr. George Howard; messenger, Mr. W. F. Citherow; Desdemona, Miss Maud Jeffries; Emilia, Miss Lillah M'Carthy.

On Friday next Her Majesty's Theatre will remain closed for the due preparation of Wilson Barrett's drama, "The Sign of the Cross," which will be revived by Messrs. Williamson and Musgrove's company on Saturday. It will be remembered that, after a run of many weeks at this theatre, people were turned away at the doors during the last few nights of the memorable run of "The Sign of the Cross." The revival under similar conditions of superb staging and generously adequate interpretation by Miss Ada Ferrar, Mr. Julius Knight, and others concerned in the previous performances, should accordingly *prove* welcome.

CRITERION THEATRE.

"The Middleman," to be revived at the Criterion Theatre to-night, after an interval of seven years, is a play by Henry Arthur Jones, which had a great run at the Shaftesbury with Mr. E. S. Willard as the inventive potter. This character gives Mr. Charles Cartwright a fine part as Blenkarn. The motive of the plot is the endeavour of Cyrus Blenkarn to discover the secret of the Tatlow Pottery, with the object of ruining the owner, who has abetted his son, Captain Chandler, in the shameful desertion of the potter's daughter. To-night's cast will also include Mr. Arthur Styan as Chandler, the manufacturer, Mr. Storey Gofton as Batty Todd, Mr. Charles Thursby as Captain Chandler, Miss Gethya Darragh as Nancy Blenkarn, Miss Hope Mayne as Maude Chandler, Miss Noni Rickards as Felicia, and Miss Beatrice Lamb as Mary Blenkarn.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"A Life of Pleasure" has been drawing great audiences at the Theatre Royal, where Mr. Bland Holt has staged the Drury Lane drama with a luxury and picturesqueness which it would be hardly possible to improve upon. Audiences have been especially pleased during the week with the scenes of jungle, skirmish, and artillery battle on the open field, which mark the conduct of the story in Burmah. The camp by night, with all the clever details of military life, the pathetic delivery of the mail bearing letters from the loved ones at home, and the splendid tableaux in which Mr. John Brunton has painted so skilfully the landscape of the Irrawaddy, may be named amongst the points which prove irresistibly attractive to playgoers.

LYCEUM THEATRE.

"The Shamrock and the Rose," which has been revived with great success in past years both by Mr. George Rignold and Mr. C. B. Westmacott, will be reproduced at the Lyceum Theatre this evening, with no fewer than 14 changes of scene (by Mr. H. Whaite). These will illustrate the ruined abbey on the cliff at Lindisfarn, the cellars under Castle Flint, and the millrace, where the attempt at murder is frustrated. A long cast will include the following:—O'Connor Desmond, Mr. Walter Gregory; Dandy Dauraven, Mr. Harry Shine; Stephen Flint, Mr. H. W. Diver; Nicholas Flint, Mr. J. H. Nunn; Nizy Mulcahy, Mr. C. R. Stanford; Arthur Fitzillington, Mr. Lawrence Dunbar; Sergeant Drake, Mr. John F. Forde; Morna Moore, Miss Maud Williamson; Rose Riversdale, Miss Theresa Liddahl; Peggy O'Rafferty, Miss Fanny Liddiard; Mrs. Moore, Miss Fanny Reynolds, &c. &c.

TIVOLI THEATRE.

Miss Peggy Pryde's debut this afternoon and evening, and the reappearance of Messrs. Foreman and Fannan after revisiting England, will form the chief features in the new Tivoli programme. Miss Peggy Pryde is a noted serio-comic singer and coster delineator, who has just arrived here from South Africa, which she has toured with much success. After appearing in Australia under Mr. Harry Rickards's management this artist will resume work in London, where she is known at all the chief variety theatres. Miss Pryde, it may be added, is the daughter of the late Jenny Hill, a variety star who, until her recently regretted death, held a foremost place as "The Vital Spark." Miss Lillian Tree will again sing (with Mr. Wallace King) the miserere scene from "Il Trovatore;" and the Hegelmanns and the other prominent members of the company will vary their entertainment.

Mr. George H. Wood and Miss Marion Ainsworth are expected to arrive here from America to-morrow by the incoming mail. The "somewhat different comedian" will make his re-appearance at the Tivoli next Saturday.

ROYAL STANDARD THEATRE.

At the Royal Standard Theatre Henry's Dramatic Company will this evening stage Arthur Shirley's emotional drama "A Wife's Peril." New scenery showing three interiors has been painted for this production, in which Mr. Robert Henry and the chief members of his company will appear.

OPERA HOUSE.

At the Opera House, in pursuance of a season of dramatic performances on Saturdays and Mondays, Signora C. de Baraty's Company will this evening revive "Uncle Tom's Cabin." In the representation of this play Miss Fanny Wiseman will make her farewell appearances in her original character as Topsy.

THE EDGAR STRAUS BENEFIT.

The regretted illness of Mr. Edgar Straus has had a stimulating effect upon the sympathy which would in any case attend a movement for a benefit in aid of an artist so accomplished and esteemed. To-night's concert at the Town Hall will accordingly be not only under Vice-Regal patronage, but under that of two particularly strong committees—the one headed by the Mayoress, with Mrs. Theodore Boesen as vice-president, and the other by Sir William Manning. With the aid of Miss Woolley and Mr. John Laure as hon. secretaries an excellent programme, as detailed in another column, has been prepared. Signor Hazon will conduct the Amateur Orchestral Society in the beautiful "Oberon" overture and in Massenet's vivacious "Alsatian Scenes." Miss Pedley will conduct the St. Cecilia Choir in Bendall's melodious chorus "Sir Lancelot." The soloists will be Mme. Charbonnet Kellermann, Misses Edith King, Eva Mylott, and Blanche Thomas, and Messrs. Rivers Allpress, Woodhouse, Burns-Walker, Weir, Staell, Hallewell, Vollmar, and Sykes.

PLEYEL CLASSICAL CONCERTS.

On Wednesday evening the first of the Pleyel classical concerts, which established a high artistic reputation under M. Aengenheyster's management last year, will be given at the Y.M.C.A. Hall. As before, M. Henri Staell will be leader, and works of the highest interest will be performed. Mendelssohn's *String Quartet* (op. 12) will be rendered by Messrs. Staell, F. M. Carter, A. Hill, and Gerard Vollmar. Mr. Sydney Moss will play Bach's "Chromatique Fantasia and Fugue." This pianist will also join with Messrs. Staell, Hill, and Vollmar in Brahm's Quartet (op. 25) for piano, alto, and 'cello. Other numbers will be included in the programme for this concert, the plan for which is at Pleyel House.

MISS FLORENCE MACK'S CONCERT.

Miss Florence Mack will give a concert at the York-street Centenary Hall next Friday in the presence of the Mayor and Mayoress and with the advantage of other official patronage. The young soprano will sing the "Jewel Song" from "Faust", Corbett's "Blossoms," Cowen's "Swallows," and the Page's song from "Un Ballo in Maschera" ("Saper Vorreste"). Miss Florence Mack will be assisted by Mrs. C. A. Edwards and Messrs. Henri Staell, F. R. Woodhouse, and Gerard Vollmar.

ROOKWOOD TOWN HALL.

An entertainment was given at the Rookwood Town Hall last Thursday night in aid of the Hospital Saturday fund. The chief attraction was the performance, by Messrs. George Hay, F. Lidbury, Misses E. Ward and Kate Casim, of the sparkling comedy "Found in a Four-wheeler"—an undertaking from which the Rookwood District Dramatic Society emerged with considerable credit. Messrs. Walton, Langley, Chambers, Hadfield, Skinner, and Maddocks contributed to a short concert programme, which closed with Mr. Will Bennett's clever "act" as "The Musical King."

CARRIER PIGEONS AT SEA.

On Saturday, March 26 (says the London "Daily Telegraph"), the steamer La Bretagne, belonging to the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique, left Havre for New York, and her voyage was made the occasion of a very interesting experiment. The steamer had on board several hundred carrier pigeons, which were to be released at various distances from the starting point, with the object of ascertaining whether any of them would find their way back to Havre. The idea was that in such a case as that of the same company's vessel, La Champagne, which, owing to the breakage of her shaft, was recently several days overdue on her passage from Havre to New York, public anxiety would be greatly relieved if a pigeon could be despatched with a message giving the reason for the ship's detention. That this arrangement may be attended with great success is proved by a fact which was notified to Lloyd's on March 30. The steamer Chollerton, Captain Ford, arrived at Swansea, and reported that when 250 miles south of the Scilly Islands a carrier pigeon came aboard, bearing the following message:—"Mail steamer La Bretagne, March 27, 8 a.m.—An English sailing vessel is succoured by La Bretagne. Delay probable.—(Signed) Captain Reynaud." On the paper was also written, apparently afterwards, the words: "Save! the crew of the Bothnia. Three men of that crew killed." Henceforth, it is stated, all the ships belonging to the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique will be provided with pigeons, in order that in the event of accident or detention messages may be sent off.

In some of the European art galleries the dust is removed from the paintings and statuary by means of an air-pump, a jet of air being thrown with great force against the article which needs dusting.

STORIES ABOUT PRESIDENT M'KINLEY.

Stories of President M'Kinley are always in order (says the Washington correspondent of the "Utica Observer"). The other day I met a member of Congress, a Republican, a man of long experience in public life, and of conceded ability and influence. He was very much disturbed about the President's Cuban policy, and he told me he was going up to the White House to talk the whole matter over with Mr. M'Kinley. "The President needs some good advice," said this member of Congress, "and I am going to give it to him. I am going to talk plainly, too. I am not going to mince words." Then he told me in substance what he was going to say to the President.

Next day I met this member of Congress coming from the White House. "Yes, I have seen the President," he said, in response to my question. "Did I give him the talking to that I had intended? Well, no, not exactly. You see, the President was very communicative to me about the Cuban question. He told me things I never knew before. In a few minutes he had convinced me that he knew about fifty times as much about Cuba as I did. Then he asked me what I thought about it—if I couldn't give him some suggestions—and blame me if I had the nerve to say a single word of what I had gone there to say! I have to-day learned a lesson. When you think of giving advice to a man about his business, be sure you know at least as much about it as he does, or you may make yourself ridiculous."

Mrs. M'Kinley is exceedingly fond of children. At Canton, before and after the election of 1896, the young boys and girls of the town, knowing the reception which they would find at the famous little house in Market-street, had a way of running in quite informally to see the wife of the future President. One day during a rainstorm a ragged little fellow walked up the yard to the porch and tried to get in the door. In some way he had heard that Mrs. M'Kinley liked little boys, and he, too, wanted the honour of her caresses. And perhaps he should see and speak with the President himself—who could tell? So he marched bravely up, all by himself. But he didn't know how to ring the bell, and his little knockings brought no response. No one happened to hear him, and he waited and waited, his heart sinking lower and lower under his torn, dingy jacket. After a time hope and courage failed him and he started mournfully away, the tears gathering in his big brown eyes. Someone in the household saw him as he walked sadly down to the gate, and called the attention of Governor M'Kinley to him.

Quick as a flash the President-elect ran out of the house hatless in the rain and brought the lad back with him, where Mrs. M'Kinley's kindness and a big plate of ice cream rewarded him for all his trials.

It is not every poor boy that has had a President of the United States chasing him bareheaded in a rainstorm.

President M'Kinley's thoughtful attentions to his old friends are often commented on in Washington. One day Mrs. M'Kinley told her husband she had learned from a caller, one of their old friends from home, that a certain Mr. Blank, of Canton, was coming to Washington that day on business. Now, this Mr. Blank had wanted the President to appoint him to an office, and though the President liked the man very much, and was, indeed, under obligations to him, he couldn't see his way clear to making the appointment so much desired. But there was something he could do. He sent a telegram to Harrisburg inviting Mr. Blank to dinner at the White House immediately upon his arrival in Washington, and when Mr. Blank reached the railway station in the capital city he found the President's carriage waiting for him. He drove to the Executive Mansion, where he was warmly greeted by the President, who had considerately forgotten to don his dress coat. Mr. Blank was so well pleased with his evening at the White House that on returning home he said to his friends:

"I'd rather have had that evening with the President and Mrs. M'Kinley in the White House than any old office in the Government."

From President M'Kinley's family dinner party in the White House just after the inauguration one invited guest, Mr. Barber, of Canton, was missing. He had not received his invitation, through some misunderstanding or accident, and had gone away to Mount Vernon. President M'Kinley noticed his absence, and inquired about it. Having learned that Mr. Barber had arranged to leave the capital early the next day, and knowing he would regret it if compelled to go away without breaking bread in the White House, the President summoned one of his clerks and sent him to Mr. Barber's hotel with an invitation to breakfast at the Executive Mansion the next morning. Even in the busy hours of his first assumption of responsibility for the ship of State, Mr. M'Kinley did not forget the smallest amenity of social and family life.

FINANCIAL OBJECTIONS TO THE CONVENTION BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Mr. Garran's ingenious reasoning in your issue of Saturday last is unfortunately vitiated by a fundamental misconception of the nature of the issues involved in this great question. He complains that "a considerable number of the principal speakers against the Constitution Bill have declared themselves to be in favour of federation, and federation at once; but not under this particular bill. Then under what bill or what sort of bill? If the opponents of the bill who have given us a schedule of their objections against it would also give us a rough draft of what they would substitute for the clauses objected to, then the public would have a much clearer issue before it than it has now." The misconception lies in the assumption that the only issue before the public is that which certain advocates choose to place before it. The opponents of the bill are not counsel for parties to a suit who can choose to rest their case upon this issue or that. The public are asked by both sides to study the bill for themselves, and that implies that they are to consider every issue involved in the question before them, whether suggested by advocates on either side or occurring to their own thoughts. As for submitting a rough draft, that would be placing no issue before the electors, for they would have no power to accept it in this referendum. They can only accept or reject the bill which has been drawn.

Mr. Garran then goes on to say that any attempt to draft clauses as proposed "would probably bring out the fact, so far as the financial clauses are concerned, that it is not so much the bill that is objected to as the consequences that would flow from its operation." Was not that fact abundantly clear before? Yes. Academic pedants may dispute about the abstract merits or defects of the bill, but we are only simple-minded folk who read our Bible and lay to heart the lessons we learn there, and there we read "By their fruits ye shall know them." This is our criterion for judging this bill. We say it is bad because its inevitable fruits are bad.

There are several objections to the proposed constitution; but the one under immediate consideration is that to the financial clauses, with which, however, the question of disproportionate representation not unremotely connects itself. I mention this simply to show that Mr. Garran's argument, even if valid so far as it goes, does not cover all the ground; but at present my purpose is to meet his argument exactly as it stands. Under the bill the Commonwealth is to finance the States. Not only this, but it must do so by a particular method—a rather cumbrous method, which might well be compared with the ancient Chinese mode of roasting a pig by burning down a house. The Commonwealth does not actually give to one State the revenue which is raised in another State, but it does that which is quite as bad, if not actually worse. In order that one State may have enough other States must raise too much—that is to say, money must be taken from the people who have a use for it and placed in the coffers of the Treasury, where it is useless, if not worse than useless. This would be a very strong theoretical objection, viewed from the standpoint of the whole Commonwealth; but it happens to be universally recognised (any difference of opinion being only about details) that, under actual conditions, New South Wales will be most prejudicially affected by this clumsy arrangement, and hence the objection ceases to be merely theoretical and becomes a very practical one. This is substantially the argument of the opposition, and, as we shall see presently, it is endorsed by Mr. Garran.

Mr. Garran goes on to say that "if all the colonies were equally solvent the objection would disappear." This is not very obvious; but let it pass. For the present I take Mr. Garran's word for it that it is the insolvency of the weaker States which necessitates the blot. Then I make him a present of his inference that it is their insolvency and not the blot which makes it inexpedient to accept the bill. His reasoning travels further than ours, but arrives at the same destination.

Mr. Garran's object, however, was to convict certain advocates on the opposition side of inconsistency. They express themselves in favour of federation "and of federation at once, but not under this bill." The words quoted are necessary to his argument, but are not warranted by any words spoken on the platform or written through the press. In fact their hostile attitude necessarily involves delay, and their words have been "Wait for a better bill." This disposes of the argument so far as the charge of inconsistency is concerned; but let us pursue it for another purpose. Mr. Garran assumes that it is because of the comparative insolvency of some of the colonies that the objectionable clauses had to be inserted, and therefore no constitution can be framed at the present time which will be free from the same or similar objections. Therefore, he concludes, the objection resolves itself into a contention that "the time is not suitable for federation at all." If that be really the logical outcome of our argument we must accept it, and after this bill is rejected, instruct our Parliament not to trouble about federation any *more for the present*. It appears, however, that the present constitution bill recognises the solvency of all the States. Though the Commonwealth is to finance the States, it is to finance them each out of the revenue derived from its *own* territory. What then becomes of the argument that this particular way of financing them is necessitated by their insolvent condition? The difficulty is not caused by their insolvency, but by the fact that they have been accustomed to a particular mode of taxation, and the vis inertiae which disinclines them to change. Change, however, would be forced upon them by the bill, as it stands. Would it be unreasonable to require that change to be such as to be consistent with the good of the whole Commonwealth without injuring any State? If the other States are either unable or unwilling to comply with such a reasonable condition, that inability or unwillingness is a sufficient reason for our refusing to federate now, and will be a sufficient reason for our refusing to federate as long as that inability or unwillingness lasts, even should it last for ever.

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DISEASES.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.
Chronic Catarrh	114	205	252	407	457	1,457	1,632	1,817	1,884	2,378	2,880
Incipient Consumption	94	307	129	288	357	853	880	781	880	941	1,108
Chronic Bronchitis	27	41	87	141	169	309	380	402	503	630	710
Chronic Diarrhoea	42	86	102	151	184	101	114	180	179	210	411
Neuralgia	14	26	67	98	115	212	300	390	387	453	458
Diabetes	12	19	20	44	62	94	100	110	12	201	304
Incipient Bright's Disease	2	8	14	17	25	37	28	82	88	132	139
Tape Worms Removed	28	42	66	96	134	84	93	97	103	97	48
Epilepsy, or Fits	41	62	87	114	178	212	264	277	270	403	612
Children Relieved of Stomach and Pin Worms	86	97	118	144	191	118	181	190	29	301	281
Tumours	1	11	14	67	84	64	82	104	106	193	103
Dropsy (without operation)	17	19	37	41	60	43	51	36	107	164	122
Dropsy (with operation)	2	4	6	12	18	2	...	...	...	...	1
Diseases of a Delicate Nature	82	57	82	91	116	1,102	1,314	1,240	1,420	1,563	1,820
Diseased Bone	2	7	16	22	39	21	14	112	211	317	200
Hip Disease	4	...	7	11	19	42	83	70	78	110	111
Deafness	27	31	41	12	123	218	270	260	367	422	670
Polypus in Ear	7	8	14	6	24	19	20	51	56	73	61
Heart Disease	62	73	81	99	148	209	210	211	221	705	470
Bladder Disorders	2	6	9	6	37	419	406	502	589	772	906
Hemorrhoids or Piles	104	123	144	204	296	660	670	702	786	844	851
Chronic Rheumatism	121	184	209	306	415	813	910	1,004	1,097	1,148	1,711
Obstinate Constipation	114	145	135	201	271	304	436	606	608	720	918
Operations for Cataract of Eye	2	6	8	18	25	13	18	9	16	18	102
Granulation of Lids	51	66	77	91	112	40	60	71	87	107	118
Cross Eyes Corrected	5	7	9	18	32	71	72	74	84	126	119
Miscellaneous Eye Troubles	47	67	65	188	358	104	103	106	266	304	401
Operations for Cancer	7	9	31	51	68	100	102	201	20	278	270
Sciatica	16	34	42	61	76	71	61	71	80	138	312
Partial Paralysis (absolute cure)	4	8	9	19	28	23	41	54	17	61	48
Total Paralysis (wonderfully relieved and capable of attending to ordinary business)	1	2	...	7	8	8	6	2	...	7	9
Cephalalgia	15	18	10	22	48	41	82	98	81	119	122
Fistula	14	18	28	66	96	107	108	107	208	296	412
Asthma	10	12	56	77	82	311	412	501	802	917	1,104
Liver Complaints	31	45	78	90	156	436	506	60[illegible]	704	821	1,206
Miscellaneous Kidney Troubles	31	58	68	87	114	187	171	144	179	219	40[illegible]
Scrofula	9	17	31	87	102	312	406	500	28[illegible]	345	281
Gravel	7	7	9	6	16	97	82	84	97	101	109
Throat Disorders	12	18	22	38	59	40	14	76	18	42	295
Miscellaneous Disorders, hard to classify	114	143	217	281	349	807	903	1,471	1,060	1,076	1,486

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THE HAWKESBURY SHOW.

VISIT OF THE PREMIER.

OPENING DAY.

SPEECHES BY MR. REID AND COLONEL BELL.

The Premier yesterday, though suffering from a cold, and having a late train journey after his speech at Goulburn, visited the Hawkesbury Agricultural Show at the Clarendon racecourse. Among the visitors were Messrs. Morgan, Hogue, and J. Fitzpatrick, Ms.L.A., and Colonel Bell. The Premier made three brief speeches, being called upon to open the show, and later he responded to the toast of the visitors, and proposed "Success to the Society." Mr. Reid spent the afternoon at the showground, and returned to his home by the 4.20 p.m. train.

On arrival the Premier and his friends were welcomed by the officers of the society, and had a police escort to the grand stand, where Mr. Reid, without delay, was asked by Mr. Single, president of the society, to formally open the exhibition.

The Premier, who was cheered, said he had great pleasure in declaring the show open, and if it was equal to some of its predecessors, which he was sure it was, it would be an object of the greatest gratification to all those who were able to be there that day. (Hear, hear.) He had some little trouble in making up his mind about coming, as he was rather busy. It being a fine sunny day, and he had not seen any sun for some little time, and had suffered in consequence, he was glad to be there. If his expectations were realised, and having one of Australia's most glorious days to greet this show, he hoped it would be a substantial help to its success. He was glad to feel he was amongst old friends in old Windsor. (Hear, hear.) He had brought with him some other gentlemen, notably the Consul for the United States. (Cheers.) Although one of the most peaceful of men he had under existing circumstances been beginning to remember the grand old days when he was on active service. However, there was no Spanish representative outside the poultry show, he supposed. (Loud laughter.) He did not suppose they would have any disturbance there over that vexed question. (Laughter.) He had the honour of bringing with him a very distinguished clergyman from the old country, the Rev. Dr. Duff. (Applause.) He had come to Australia as the representative of the Free Church of Scotland at a centenary in New Zealand. He was glad to make the acquaintance of Dr. Duff the other day, and thought he could not do better than ask him to have a glimpse of rural Australia in one of its loveliest scenes. (Hear, hear.) He would also have a chance of seeing young Australia. Take the Hawkesbury native where they liked, from the cradle up to the—he did not know how old he got to, but he was always a grand specimen of manhood. (Hear, hear.) That meant always that the ladies were all right. (Laughter.) His friend, Mr. Hogue, member for the Glebe, had honoured them with his presence. Then they had their friend Mr. Fitzpatrick, who was a resident of that town. There was also his family physician, "Dr." Dowling—(laughter)—there, and he had found a remedy for his cold, and he (Mr. Reid) hoped he would get over it. (Laughter.) For a number of years Mr. Dowling had been secretary of the Federal League, and though he did not do much publicly in connection with these matters, yet he did a great deal. When he came to Windsor he felt he was going to a nice place, or he would not have brought all these gentlemen. They had war and religion blended happily there. (Laughter.) They would let him say a final word of kind recognition to their member, Mr. Morgan, who, he would admit, was useful in one respect in the House, because he was a man of few words, but, he was happy to say, had thus all the more time to perform a large number of good deeds. (Hear, hear.) He did not think they could have a more worthy or more diligent representative. (Hear, hear.) He (Mr. Reid) had pleasure in coming there under his auspices. Of all these gentlemen he would single out two. Both were strangers practically. He alluded to his friend the Consul and the Rev. Dr. Duff. (Cheers.)

Colonel Bell, who was cordially greeted, said he had not come there for the purpose of making a speech, but he came to enjoy the glorious sunshine. He had great pleasure in recognising Mr. Reid as one of his friends, and he hoped Mr. Reid felt he was a friend of his. (Mr. Reid: "Hear, hear.") The Premier had introduced him to them as a stranger. He denied the soft impeachment, for he had been an Australian for four and a half years, and he did not feel he was a stranger among them. He looked upon Australians with very much pride as being a branch of the race across the "dough." He saw dominating them the same ambitions and the same grand aspirations that he saw among "our cousins," as they say, over the sea. The Premier had said there were war and religion among them. They always had religion, and he hoped they would never have war. (Hear, hear.) He would confess to being a man of peace if he was not a gentleman of that persuasion that was always for peace. His country to-day was unhappily forced into a difficulty which he thought would be over in time for early lunch. (Laughter.) The United States were not a warlike people. (Hear, hear.) They were compelled to fight for commerce and for civilisation. Australians were only a warlike people when the necessities were forced upon them, and the Americans were only a warlike people when the necessities were forced upon them. (Hear, hear.) They believed in business, and wanted the largest possible trade with the people here that they could get. He thanked them and their Premier for their welcome. He saw he was welcome, and he promised them he would get a great deal of pleasure out of that. The highest pleasure in living, he believed, was in doing the greatest good. He believed in agricultural shows; he believed in rural humanity. He found wherever he travelled that some of the grandest people in the country grew up among the fields and hills. Man made the city, but God made the country, and God had much to do with making the grand humanity of the country. He found here, just as he found in his own country, the sweet little girls, and there was only one thing sweeter than a little girl, and that was a big girl. (Laughter.)

The Rev. Dr. Duff thanked them for the welcome. During the last few days he had been breathing another atmosphere in attending ecclesiastical meetings. This was quite a transformation scene. He was a native of the county of Ayr, which "nae toun surpasses for honest men and bonnie lasses." Here was a country rich and strong with honest men and bonnie lasses. He had made Mr. Reid's acquaintance the other day, but had sat by his side a few minutes when he discovered the Premier was a large-hearted as well as a sagacious man. Honour had been done to him, to the great country he came from, and which was true to them, and done also to the Presbyterian Church and all the Churches which in some humble measure he as a minister of religion represented there. (Applause.) They had not only the splendid representative of their Government, but the Government of the great Transatlantic was also represented, and for that country they felt not only respect but admiration. The representative of bonnie Scotland was glad to mingle his voice with theirs in wishing them great success for their agricultural show. (Applause.)

Cheers were given for the Premier, America, Scotland, and Windsor.

The visitors were entertained at luncheon, at which there were no speeches. Subsequently the society's officers and friends met in a pavilion. In response to the health of the visitors, which was proposed by the president,

The Premier said that owing to his cold he had brought Colonel Bell with him. (Laughter.) He thanked them for their very kind invitation and very great hospitality. He knew he would have a very enjoyable day, which would do him good, and he was glad to say he had already proved that. He could not sufficiently thank them for the kind reception. He had met a great many old friends. He had enjoyed himself so much that he thought they could at any time command his presence. He thought Colonel Bell had done so well, too, that he also would probably find a day off. He knew Colonel Bell was at present busy day and night sending cablegrams directing the movements of the American fleets. (Laughter.) When he mentioned this trip to him, and spoke of the sunshine, Australian hospitality, and the people they would meet, he felt Colonel Bell's voice melting through the telephone. (Laughter.) He made some reply in the negative at the beginning, but they very soon got over the difficulty, and Colonel Bell was so anxious to come that he nearly started yesterday. (Laughter.)

Colonel Bell said he responded very liberally to the request. He was too well brought up to decline such an invitation. (Laughter.) He had enjoyed a most pleasant day. If he did not come back it was because he had no invitation. He assured them he enjoyed the association of their people everywhere, and he enjoyed it all the more when he was with Mr. Reid. (Applause.) He recognised he was when with Mr. Reid in the presence of one of the grandest intellects in the whole of Australia. He envied them their Premier. If they had him in America they would first have him in the United States Senate, and then probably they would put him higher. (Cheers.) It was an honour for him (Colonel Bell) to be there, and it was an honour to be treated as he had been. ("No.") Most assuredly it was. All these things were reciprocal. He believed in reciprocity. He was delighted with the progress the people were making. They were striving for the same purpose America was striving for. They were striving to advance civilisation and to lift up every individual in their great nations. (Cheers.)

The Premier, in proposing "Success to the Society," said he had only to look at the stand to feel it beat the best flower garden in the world. It did one good to get away from Sydney and get among people like them. Their society was one of the most useful to the district and every family in it. He heartily wished long life and prosperity to the society, its officers, and everyone connected with it. (Cheers.)

The president and secretary (Mr. Guest) responded. The latter said they would not have had the stand which Mr. Reid so kindly referred to but for the Government grant.

Colonel Holborow proposed "The Health of Mr. Morgan, Member for the Hawkesbury," and the latter said he would endeavour to continue to do his duty as their representative.

The toast of "The Press" was honoured, Mr. Hogue, M.L.A., being among those who responded.

The Brazil nut contains from 15 to 24 seeds, which all germinate at one time. The most vigorous one gets first through a small hole at the top to the open air, and thereupon it strangles and feeds upon the rest.

CHURCH NEWS.

ANGLICAN.

The Archbishop preached on Sunday morning at St. George's, Hurstville; in the afternoon administered the rite of confirmation at St. John's, Rockdale; and in the evening preached at St. Paul's, Kogarah. On Wednesday afternoon his Grace presided at a meeting of the Cathedral Chapter. On Thursday afternoon presided at a conference of the council and the ladies' committee of the Bethany Deaconess Institution; and on Friday afternoon presided at a meeting of the executive council of the board of missions.

The Bishop of Newcastle on Thursday week administered the rite of confirmation at St. Mary's, West Maitland, when 100 candidates were presented. The Bishop has summoned members of synod to attend the first session of the twelfth synod at Newcastle on Tuesday, the 31st instant. The proceedings will be preceded by Divine service in the pro-cathedral with administration of the Holy Communion. The preacher will be the Rev. R. E. Goddard, B.A., of All Saints', Petersham.

The Bishop of Bathurst on Saturday administered the rite of confirmation at Windeyer; on Sunday morning administered the rite at St. John's, Mudgee, and preached at the evening service.

The Bishop of Grafton and Armidale on Sunday morning held an ordination at Glen Innes, when Messrs. R. Fairbrother, of Grafton, and E. S. North, of Tamworth, were admitted to the diaconate. In the afternoon the Bishop held a service in the Town Hall, when special offerings were made on behalf of the ladies' benevolent society and the local hospital.

The Bishop of Goulburn expects to leave England next month and to arrive in his diocese in August. Notices have been sent throughout the diocese of the Bishop's intention to hold confirmations immediately after his return.

The Dean of Bathurst has celebrated the sixteenth anniversary of his appointment to All Saints' Cathedral.

Lady Innes on Monday evening presented the prizes to the scholars of All Saints' Sunday School, Sutton Forest. Miss Rivett was also presented with a gold brooch by a number of the residents in conjunction with the children of the school as a token of their esteem.

The Archbishop has licensed (upon the nomination of the Rev. P. R. Spry Bailey) Mr. Arthur Benjamin Adnam, a local lay reader in the parish of All Saints', Hunter's Hill.

The adjourned conference of the Ruridecanal Chapters of East and West Sydney was held on Wednesday afternoon in St. James' parish hall, Phillip-street. Archdeacon Langley presided, and the suggested scheme for training and employing lay evangelists was considered, and after a few amendments agreed to. The committee appointed by synod have been requested to make arrangements for calling a public meeting to elicit sympathy and support in aid of the movement.

At the last meeting of the committee of the Lay Readers' Association the following resolution was passed:—"It is with deep regret this committee record the death of Sydney Moyse. He had been connected with the Lay Readers' Association for eight years, and although through his long illness he was unable of late to undertake more than light duty he will ever be remembered with loving affection, not only by his fellow-workers, but amongst all those to whom he so earnestly preached the Gospel. The committee desire to offer their sympathy to his bereaved widow and family."

A sale of work, organised by the local branch of the Girls' Friendly Society in Goulburn, was opened in the church hall on Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Chisholm, the proceeds to be devoted towards the Goulburn Church Society.

A meeting was held at Belmore on Monday evening, under the presidency of the Rev. T. Jenkyn, when the claims of the Church Society were advocated and increased support promised.

Mr. M. Vaughan has a corner block of land at Yarra, in the diocese of Goulburn, on which it is proposed to build a church hall. Arrangements are now in progress for the transfer of the land, and it is hoped that shortly building operations will be commenced.

The Rev. Charles Harris (nephew of the late Dr. Harris, of Newcastle) has been elected by the synod of the diocese of Ballarat to the vacant canonry of Christ Church Cathedral.

The next entrance examination for Moore College, Sydney, will be held on June 20 next. An open scholarship of the value of £25, tenable for one year, will be awarded, according to the result of the entrance examination. After this year matriculation will be made a condition of entrance.

The monthly devotional meeting of the members and friends of the Church Missionary Association was held on Thursday evening in the Chapter-house.

On Monday afternoon the monthly meeting of the Sydney Diocesan Clerical Society was held in the Chapter-house, when a paper was read by the Rev. D. E. Evan-Jones on "The Designation of Parish Priests."

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

The Rev. Mr. Walsh, of Ballarat, and student of St. Patrick's College, Manly, will be ordained a priest by Cardinal Moran on Sunday at St. Mary's Cathedral.

The week's fair in aid of St. Patrick's Church, Parramatta, resulted in £240 being raised.

Sunday, May 22, is the date fixed for the removal from Campbelltown and Devonshire-street cemeteries of the remains of the Irish patriots whose exile ended in New South Wales. Extensive preparations are being made for the unveiling of the monument at Waverley. The speakers will include Mr. P. M'Mahon Glynn.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Leichhardt Presbyterian Church was the scene of an enjoyable gathering of the members and adherents a few evenings ago, the proceedings being under the guidance of the Rev. J. Auld, M.A., and with him were the Revs. T. W. Dunn and D. Fenwick, and Mr. Chisholm. The ladies of the congregation provided an abundance of good things, and a well-arranged programme of music was nicely given, the principal contributors being Mrs. M'Donald and Miss J. Sheath. A presentation of a handsomely illuminated address was made to the Rev. D. Fenwick by the chairman, the recipient making a suitable response.

WESLEYAN.

A ten days' mission has been held in Parramatta by the Rev. D. O'Donnell, of Victoria. Despite inclement weather the services were well attended.

By permission of the Comptroller of Prisons, and with the concurrence of the chaplain, a special mission service was conducted by the Rev. D. O'Donnell in the Parramatta gaol on Wednesday last. The service was one of much interest and power, and appeared to be deeply appreciated by the prisoners, of whom 250 were present.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Sutherland and the surrounding stations have formed a united church fellowship, the members numbering 46. The pastor is the Rev R. Williams. The Rev. James Buchan, M.A., representing the union, was present at the formation of the church. The meeting was held on Wednesday evening.

The Rev. T. Kench, of Stockton and Islington, has given notice of his resignation at the end of May.

The Rev. C. Moon ends his Ministry at West Maitland on Sunday, the 22nd instant. He intends to take up work in connection with the Baptists.

At the last meeting of the committee of the Congregational Union a letter of sympathy was ordered to be sent to the widow and family of the late Mr. John Roseby, who was for many years a member of the Congregational Union Annual Assembly.

The Rev. S. Savage is taking a holiday at Wagga.

The sixty-sixth anniversary of the Pitt-street Congregational Church, which was celebrated on Sunday and Monday, was characterised by great success. An appeal by Dr. Bevan for the Anniversary Sunday collection met with a very cordial response, the sum given amounting to upwards of £56, consisting of more than 1200 coins.

Special services were held on Sunday at the Summer Hill Congregational Church in connection with the fourteenth anniversary of its foundation. The Rev. Dr. Bevan, of Melbourne, had been announced as the preacher at the morning service, and this led to the church being crowded. Dr. Bevan took as his subject, "The Church and the Kingdom, Kings and Priests." These terms, he said, reminded us of the two conceptions familiar to the readers of the Bible of the kingdom and the Church. The former of these is commonly used by Christ and in the gospels of that condition of spiritual life which He had come to produce in humanity, and as a result of His influence over individual men the final social state of the entire race.

SYDNEY CITY MISSION.

In view of the thirty-sixth annual meeting to be held at the Y.M.C.A. Hall on Monday evening, the city missionaries will speak of their work in 21 churches and six Sunday schools to-morrow in the city and suburbs. A list will be found in our advertisement columns.

Though the wet weather interfered with the attendances at the special evangelistic meetings being held at Paddington this week, they have been well sustained, and satisfactory results have followed.

The sale of work at Alexandria resulted in £50 being raised. This is considered excellent, considering the miserable state of the weather.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

The Hay branch of the Y.W.C.A. reopened its meetings after the summer recess on the 5th instant, with a very good attendance.

A social evening was held at the Waterloo rooms on Tuesday evening. Addresses were given by the Revs Henry Martin and Dr Porter.

On Tuesday Miss Booth visited the employees of Messrs. John Hunter and Co., Redfern, by their request, to give them an account of missionary life and work in Inland China. The greatest interest was manifested, and the half-hour interval for dinner was extended to an hour by those in charge.

Miss Booth also addressed the members of the Erskineville Y.W.C.A. in Holy Trinity schoolroom on Thursday evening. Refreshments were handed round at the close of the evening.

The Mission Committee met at the Institute, 49 Phillip-street, on Wednesday evening, when five new members were proposed for admission to the Central Association.

The Hon. J. S. Larke has consented to give an address at the annual meeting of the Y.W.C.A.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.

A quarterly rally of the West Sydney and District Union was held on Monday evening in the Congregational Church, Harris-street. The Rev. J. Buchan, M.A., President of the Union, occupied the chair. There was a good attendance. The Revs. W. M. Dill Macky (President of the New South Wales Union) and M. Reavley gave addresses. The societies represented were the Harris-street Baptist Church, Glebe Wesleyan Church, Forest Lodge Primitive Methodist Church, Pyrmont Congregational Church, Glebe Primitive Methodist Church, and several junior societies.

THEOSOPHY.

On Sunday evening Mrs. Woodleigh-Taylor delivered a lecture at the Theosophical Lecture Hall, 8 Bond-street, on the "Power of Thought." The subject was dealt with in an interesting manner, and a good discussion at the close of the lecture proved the attention that is now directed to the study of "thought."

At the Theosophical Headquarters, Margaret-street, Wynyard-square, an address was given on Sunday night by the president (Mr. George Peell) on "Some Incidents in the Life of Mme. Blavatsky." A sketch of the childhood and life of the founder of the Theosophical movement was given, and the steps pointed out whereby this remarkable woman was led from being merely a psychic sensitiveness to become a powerful occultist and messenger of the Great White Lodge of Adepts, who were her teachers.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THE WEST BALMAIN TRUSTEES.

The business of the annual meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales was resumed yesterday, in St. Stephen's Church, Phillip-street, the Moderator (the Rev. J. Burgess) presiding.

COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY.

On the proposition of the Rev. W. G. Maconochie, seconded by the Rev. R. S. Paterson, and supported by the Rev. W. M. Dill-Macky, it was resolved to renew the act appointing the commission, and to add after the word "lands" "and to receive, hear, and finally determine any suit for the removal of any trustee or trustees." The commission was appointed, and meetings of it were fixed for July and January.

LAY PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION BOARD.

Mr. W. Wood submitted the report of the Lay Preachers' Association Board, which contained a number of regulations that had been adopted, including the following:—"That the board keep a roll of preachers, to be revised annually. That it be permissible for the board to employ members of other Evangelical Churches. That preachers may read sermons of approved authors. That all travelling expenses be paid by the congregations receiving help, but that no fees shall be paid to the preachers. That in making appointments the board discountenance Sunday travelling. That in no case where an appointment is made by the board or the conveners shall the person appointed be allowed to send a substitute, except with approval of the convener in charge of the appointments."

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

On the motion of the Rev. J. L. Forbes it was resolved to transmit to the committee, to report at the next assembly, an overture containing a proposal to add the following to regulation 13 of the aged and infirm ministers' fund:—"In the case, however, of ministers who, after serving the Church for not less than 10 years, left it before the passing of this Act, the assembly may, on their being re-admitted into the Church, and inducted into a charge, take their previous term of service into account and allow them to become members of the fund, even though their age at the time of their last induction should exceed 50 years."

THE CASE OF HAY v. MACINNES.

Mr. Aitken, the law agent, said that that morning the Full Court, in the Supreme Court, consisting of their Honors the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Stephen, and Mr. Justice Cohen had heard and decided the case of the Rev. George Hay v. the Rev. George MacInnes, as the representative of the Sydney Presbytery, and the Procurator was not called upon to argue the case or to reply to the counsel on the other side. The Bench were unanimous in dismissing the appeal of the Rev. George Hay—(applause)—for his certificate from the New England Presbytery, and they established the custom which had prevailed so long in the Presbyterian Church of the presbyteries retaining those certificates. The Chief Justice particularly laid stress upon the fact that the custom was one in connection with the domestic law of their Church with which the Court had nothing to do, and by which the Rev. George Hay was bound when he entered the Church, and he was presumed to know that trust. (Hear, hear.)

THE WEST BALMAIN TRUSTEES.

The three trustees of St. Paul's Church, West Balmain, Messrs. James Hoey, James Campbell, and Alexander Gow, who had been cited to appear before the assembly at 11 o'clock to resign their trusteeship or to show cause why they should not be removed from the trusteeship, were present. In accordance with a motion by the Rev. J. Ferguson, moved with a view of effecting an amicable settlement, they were asked if they would solemnly promise to render to the treasurership committee a statement of account of the money, principal as well as interest, to date, received from the Government for the post-office site, West Balmain, particularly showing the relation of the interest account to the overdraft debt of the congregation, discriminating between that part of the overdraft debt which stood against stipend and that part which stood against property. And should the interest account show a credit balance would they promise to pay a sum equivalent to the said balance in liquidation of the sum of £100 due to the estate of the late Rev. George Grimm, and should such balance not exceed or be inadequate, would they further promise to suspend payment to the trust account of the money advanced by the said trust account against overdraft debt of the congregation until such time as the payment of the above-mentioned sum of £100 was completed? All payments to be made to the treasurership committee.

Mr. Hoey said that the very document the assembly asked for was being prepared by a public accountant. Speaking for himself, he was perfectly willing, with the sanction of the congregation, to do what was mentioned. He had no doubt that on the recommendation of the trustees the congregation would consent.

Mr. Gow: I promise to do the same thing. I will take this opportunity of pointing out that the suggestion made now is nearly word for word what we proposed in our document to this assembly.

The Rev. J. Ferguson: Half and half.

Mr. Campbell: I quite endorse what has been said as to repaying this money, and I think it would be a very happy settlement. I am very glad to think this arrangement has been come to. (Applause.)

The Rev. J. Ferguson moved, and it was resolved,—"The above trustees having answered these questions in the affirmative the assembly now declares that the proceedings for removing the trustees shall at once cease and determine, and further instruct the Presbytery of Sydney to grant moderation in a call to West Balmain so soon as the congregation has ratified the promise of the trustees and the usual conditions have been complied with."

The Moderator said he was sure all parties were very satisfied at the decision come to, and that he expressed the feeling of the assembly when he stated that he hoped affairs would now go steadily and progress.

THE CHURCH HYMNAL.

The Rev. John Walker moved, and the Rev. W. G. Maconochie seconded, and it was resolved,—"That the Church Hymnal which has been prepared by the Established, Free, and United Presbyterian Churches of Scotland, in conjunction with the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, be remitted to a committee to consider and report to the next assembly." A representative committee was appointed, with the Rev. John Walker as convener.

CLOSE OF THE ASSEMBLY.

The Rev. W. A. Smith proposed, and the Rev. Dr. Laing seconded, a comprehensive vote of thanks, which was carried, and the Moderator then gave an address, wherein he said that the meetings on the whole had been pleasant and inspiring. To him personally they had been so, and he should look back to that assembly with great pleasure as one in which he had experienced so much confidence, sympathy, and support, for which he now desired to tender his warmest thanks. It was gratifying to find with regard to the moral, social, and political problems he referred to in his opening address that the members of that church were doing their share in those great movements. Presbyterians would act in a manner worthy of past history and traditions, and it went without saying that when the federation vote was taken, and the general election came on, their men, whatever differences of opinion might be held, should be found in the thick of the fight.

The proceedings of the assembly were then brought to a close.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In your otherwise accurate report on the matter of the Presbyterian General Assembly and the trustees of St. Paul's it is stated: "It was also resolved to direct the session of the West Balmain congregation to meet without delay and take such steps as were within their power to procure the removal of the trustees." From this it is made to appear that the session is adverse to us. The session referred to consisted of one elder from St. Paul's (who is entirely with us) and seven from the Glebe church, with its minister as chairman. As the trustees have the entire confidence of the congregation and its office-bearers, the insertion of this explanation will oblige. I am, &c.,

JAMES HOEY,
Trustee St. Paul's Church.

N.S.W. SHORTHAND WRITERS AND TYPISTS' SOCIETY.

The fortnightly general meeting of the society was held on Wednesday evening at the rooms, Barristers'-court, Elizabeth-street, Mr. King being in the chair. The council received reports as to the forthcoming typewriting and shorthand examinations. Several new members were elected. The Hon. J. S. Larke, Canadian Minister, having kindly consented to act, was unanimously elected a vice-president of the society. The business of the evening was the reading of condensed reports on the lantern lecture on "Canada," delivered by the Hon. J. S. Larke at the previous general meeting. The readings aroused much interest, and a discussion took place.

Among the Siamese the curious custom exists of reversing the elbow-joint of the left arm as a sign of superiority. The children of both sexes are trained to keep their elbow in this painful position at an early age, if their parents are persons of high grades.

THE M'SHARRY ARBITRATION CASE.

The M'Sharry arbitration, which commenced on July 26, 1896, was practically completed yesterday. There will be a short formal sitting of the arbitrator at a later date to hear two cross applications in regard to some question bearing on costs, and the handing in of some written legal statements by counsel, but otherwise the case is now concluded. The evidence on behalf of plaintiff (James M'Sharry) in chief and in reply occupied 143 days, and the defendants' evidence covered 92 days. The speeches of counsel were of unusual length, in consequence of the magnitude of the claim, the multiplicity of the issues, and the extremely complex character of the engineering and other questions that arose in the course of the case. Some idea of that magnitude may be obtained from the fact that the books and documents in use for the purposes of the case were conveyed to and from the court each day in a furniture van, and that the evidence covers nearly 12,000 pages of folio typewriting. The speech of plaintiff's counsel, in opening, occupied five days, and in replying 42, in all 47 days. The speech of defendants' counsel occupied 36 days. The length of time occupied by witnesses was of necessity great. The plaintiff himself was in the witness box 53 days, 36 of that time being occupied over examination in chief and reply, and 17 days in cross examination; and several other witnesses were each weeks under examination. The purely scientific side of the evidence involved the examination of the two professors of engineering, from the Victorian and New South Wales Universities, Professor Kernot and Professor Warren; and on the same subjects many civil engineers of standing were examined at great length. The arbitrator and counsel on both sides visited the railway line twice in a body, and several times separately, with a view to an examination of the line. The costs of the arbitration are necessarily very heavy, but the exact amount cannot at present be ascertained. In any case they may be considered now practically at an end as far as counsel and witnesses are concerned, but the arbitrator will of necessity be some time in preparing his award, which will involve the perusal and consideration of an immense mass of material.

YORKSHIRE WOOL LETTER.

GOOD WOOL BAD TO BUY.—MEN'S EXPECTATIONS EXCEEDED.—WHY SCOUREDS RISE MORE THAN GREASY.—A "TIP" TO SQUATTERS.—HARD STRUGGLE IN BRADFORD.—MAXIMUM RISE FOR THE PRESENT REACHED.—SCALE OF VALUES.—BRADFORD'S AMERICAN TRADE SHOWS A GIGANTIC DECREASE.—FUTURE WOOL VALUES CONSIDERED.

(FROM OUR OWN SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

BRADFORD, April 8.

It is just a week ago this day since Coleman-street, London, Wool Exchange closed its doors and bid a few hundred buyers adieu for another five weeks' vacation. Those of us who had the privilege of being down at the sales could not help being struck with the lively doings over the "jackets" of the sheep, and judging by the high times the selling brokers had one gathered the impression that the golden-hoofed merino was still a favourite with man. Here, in London, a bit of good combing wool waxed eloquent in the eyes of buyers, while one and all agreed that it was bad to buy. As one sat on the desks "winding," as they say in Yorkshire (really resting), this point was more than ever emphasised, i.e., the eagerness, the fervour, of buyers to secure wool. From the very beginning this point was clearly manifest, and nothing but very low, coarse, rough crossbreds seemed to come amiss, and this spirit of readiness to take stock continued to the very last.

But no one can consider the late movement of Australian wool at this great distributing centre without coming to the conclusion that things look healthy enough. So far as the raw article is concerned this is perfectly right, but, unfortunately, as will be seen later on, London's testimonial does not offer so reliable an index to consuming centres as one naturally expects to see. It is always said that this premier market reflects the state and condition of those centres where the wool is worked up, but for once this general rule offers an exception, and while London is buoyant and festive Bradford is quiet and slack. London lately has felt the influence of combination, has enjoyed the galvanic touch of half a dozen strings, but the same market tackled singly would offer but a feeble rebound to the pressure of adverse circumstance brought to bear against it.

But apart from dealing in wool units, London must be considered in the concrete, when looked at from the standpoint of your many readers, and when this is done there is everything to encourage and make one feel glad. Wool men who were down at the sales expressed freely the opinion that they did not look for such a strong front being shown as what there was, and the way wool sold exceeded everyone's expectations. To Bradford buyers especially the way wool sold "capped" the most sanguine, and in some grades the prices ruling made it impossible for Yorkshiremen to touch but the fringe of the offerings. During the first two weeks of the sales Bradford buyers took the biggest weight bought, and their principals at home, finding they could not get any advance commensurate with what was being paid, wired to their men in London reducing limits 5 per cent. all round. This caused a slightly easier feeling, for the very best Victorian wools, but values remained intact for New South Wales growths, and remained so till the finish. It was the usual thing to have to pay a halfpenny more than what one paid the series previous, and in good, clean, bright shafty scoureds a penny rise was the standard figure paid. One of our selling brokers sent me their circular, and I ask attention to the following details showing the range of prices last series and those corresponding a year ago:—

Description.	1897. March Average per lb.	1898. March Average per lb.	Higher than Mch., 1897 per cent.
Merino—Grease:	d. d.	d. d.	
N.S.W., Riverina, fair staple and condition	9½ to 10½	10 to 10½	2·50
New England, fine bluish, fair condition	10 to 10½	9¾ to 1[illegible]	...
Merino—Scoured:			
Vic., fair body and colour	15 to 15½	18 to 19	21·31
N.S.W., fair, pink, rather fatty	12½ to 13	16 to 16½	27·45
N.Z., fair body and colour	14½ to 15	17 to 18	18·64

The above emphasises this fact very strongly, that scoureds this last series have figured strong, while a year ago they were the lowest at any time of the year. Why they should have taken this sudden change and gone to the other extreme I am unable to state, except it be this:—The late drought undoubtedly punished wool to a very material extent, often reducing the value of clips a full penny per pound. Very well, where these clips were shown in the grease a good many of them did not offer a very attractive appearance; but no buyer could help but notice how changed a clip looked when it had been nicely scoured. Some station-owners offer half their clip in the greasy state and scour the other half. Where this was done the improvement that had been made was plain, and some of the Queensland squatters especially have reason to thank their stars for scouring a large percentage of their clip. Where the grease of these clips sold at 7½d and 8d the scoured portion of the same brand realised 17d to 18d. Not only did scouring give a better impression to a prospective buyer, but it enabled him to form a more correct estimate of what the wool would yield, and this no doubt helped considerably towards bringing men to favour the washed portion of the clip in preference to the greasy. When men bought the first offerings of the new clip at the last London December series, they found when they combed the wool that it gave a far less yield than what they had calculated on, and not a few worked on the principle of "once bitten twice shy." Hence it is significant that scoureds for the moment are popular, their popularity no doubt being increased also by the fact that your squatters drying the wool in the open makes it to possess a brightness and lustre that no European wool-scourer can get; besides, manufacturers here know full well that where they must have a very good bright colour nothing will produce it like a wool which has been scoured in the colonies. All these facts may help to explain why scoureds to-day sell for relatively more than do greasies. But even if this be the case to-day, I do not think that if a pastoralist is shearing a good clean clip he need trouble to scour, for I rarely have seen where such clips have failed to realise any less than does such wool when scoured. The condition of a clip I say must determine to a squatter as to the wisdom of marketing the same in the grease state or scoured. If the clip be heavy, sandy, and dingy looking, I would say, scour by all means, but if otherwise, then there is nothing to be gained by so doing, only a lot of trouble and messing about. But let colour, brightness, attractiveness, and general good condition be the determining factor in every case.

Analysing the doings of the Bradford wool trade, one is compelled to say that a far different scene awaits one's eyes from what one saw in London. It may seem to readers of this letter quite an incredible thing to say, but the farther one gets away from the raw material the more sickening and discouraging things become. Everything in connection with the trade of this city denotes pressure of one kind or another, but unfortunately this feeling of pressure does not relate to any increase in business arising from any push in orders that men may have, and over which there is weight being brought to bear on men to make delivery; but the pressure is only apparent on questions affecting prices for all wool commodities, and here there is a desperate struggle proceeding. The evidence of London sales just finished means, practically speaking, advance, but Bradford says, in effect, stand still. Men are finding it impossible in this market to-day to sell at any profit at all; in fact, as I have said before, the further one gets away from the raw material the more unsatisfactory are the transactions, and men are now finding it impossible to obtain anything like a proportionate advance for any class of manufacture be they tops, yarns, or piece goods, as compared to the increased cost of the raw material. This "unmanageableness" of both spinners and manufacturers, who are to-day showing a stolid stupidity against all entreaties of the top-maker for ha'penny more, is the one characteristic element of the Bradford market. The biggest buyers who made contracts in January are now not pressing for delivery, saying in effect it is no use giving more until their available stocks are exhausted. The top-maker on the other hand who is feeling free says he must have an advance, and so the battle is at the gate, and a practical deadlock ensues. The manufacturing situation shows as yet no expansion, and while consumption remains so restricted things must remain difficult to do. Things are no worse in merinos, but there comes along with them no encouragement, everything being of a hand-to-mouth character.

From the foregoing it must be evident to all readers that for the time being the very maximum, both in point of price and turnover, seems to have been reached. Of course all our topmakers want to "blow light" and undervalue the significance of the rise in London, saying the rise had already been made in Bradford before the sales began, but although tops are higher than a month ago, as will be seen from the table below, yet the rise made does not nearly cover the cost of the raw material. Among those who have bought in your Sydney market, I hear that everyone has contracted for every pound, with the exception of one or two spinners, who will use their buyings themselves. There are also many who now find they could have done comfortably with a few more thousand bales each, but, alas! it is now too late. The turnover cannot be said to be at all large, but this point must not be undervalued. There are scores of merino top-makers who have "nowt" to sell until their late buyings in London are combed, and their result is out. There is no great weight of stuff on the market, and what stocks are available can well be tackled by the present trade doing, poor as it is. One pleasing feature continues to be the running by our commission woolcombers of their machinery day and night, thus keeping stocks well under control. So far as prices are concerned these are very steady and firm, and, as far as one can see, likely to be. Spinners of merino yarns are not over busy, but what spinning machinery is going is being run full time.

Looking at crossbreds there is here nothing of an enchanting nature. They flag and flag heavily, particularly anything below 46's quality. The demand for these seems at present to be very limited, and the outlook is not at all cheering. The call Bradford spinners used to have from Germany for these English spun crossbred yarns is not half what it used to be, and this is reflecting itself both on tops and wool. The following table shows the full course of prices during the past month, and the figures given represent the general asking prices of to-day:—

Description of Staple.	Feb 25.	Mar 4.	Mar 11.	Mar 18.	Mar 25.	Mar 31.
	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	
Lincoln hoggets	9½	9½	9½	9½	9	9
Lincoln wethers	9	9	9	9	8¾	8¾
Deep-grown hoggets	9	9	9	9	8¾	8¾
Deep-grown wethers	9	9	9	9	8¾	8¾
White super hoggets	9½	9½	9½	9½	9	9
White super wethers	9	9	9	9	8¾	8¾
Irish hoggets	9¾	9¾	9¾	9½	9½	9½
Irish wethers	9½	9½	9½	9	9	9
Pick Shropshire hoggets	9¾	9¾	9½	9½	9½	9½
Pick Shropshire wethers	9½	9½	9	9	9	9
Ordinary half-bred hoggets	9	9	9	9	8¾	8¾
Ordinary half-bred wethers	8¾	8¾	8¾	8½	8½	8½
Wiltshire Down tegs	11	11	11	11	11	11
Wiltshire Down ewes	10½	10½	10½	10½	10½	10½
Ordinary Buenos Ayres 60's tops	17½	17½	17¾	18½	18½	18½
Ordinary 60's colonial tops	18¾	18¾	19	19½	19½	19½
Super 60's colonial tops	20	20	20½	20½	20½	20½
Ordinary 40's colonial tops	12¾	12¾	[illegible]	12½	12	12
Ordinary 36's colonial tops	11½	11½	11½	11½	11	11
Turkey average m hair	18	18	18	18	18	18
Cape firsts mohair	18	18	17½	17½	17½	17½

But in considering the future we must not leave out the present condition of our manufacturing industry; and here we are at once met with an uncomfortable state of affairs. These war scares, political excitements, and nightmares of one kind or another, have exercised a depressing influence on our foreign trade, and the American market especially has gone hard against Bradford. This week our United States Consul published his return, showing what trade Bradford did with America during last month (March). The figures for the March quarter of 1898 are better than those of the closing quarter of 1897, when our Bradford exports to America were only £364,261, but they are barely equal to the average quarterly totals under the M'Kinley tariff of 1890, and are far below the average of the Wilson tariff. The Dingley tariff is thus shown to be a more severe barrier to Bradford trade with the United States than was the obnoxious M'Kinley tariff. The total for the quarter just closed was £511,624, as against £1,449,198 for the corresponding period of 1897, or a net decrease of £937,574. The decrease last month compared with the same month a year ago is no less that £696 741.

So far as any higher prices for wool are concerned I would say that there seems at present no possibility of any further rise. The maximum seems for the time being to have been reached, and if a steady, persistent trade can only be done, then later on we may see higher values still; but to-day there are not those elements present presaging any further rise, though our home trade is better.

NORTHERN MUNICIPALITIES AND THE HEALTH ACT.

On Wednesday a conference of Mayors and aldermen representing the boroughs of North Sydney, Manly, Willoughby, Mosman, and Lane Cove was held in the North Sydney Town Hall for the purpose of considering what steps should be taken to resist the responsibilities thrown upon municipalities in the administration of the Public Health Act which was passed into law some time back. The meeting was the outcome of a resolution passed on the subject by the Willoughby Council, and the co-operation of the borough councils of North Sydney, Mosman, Manly, and Lane Cove was granted. The following representatives attended:—The Mayor of North Sydney (Alderman F. Clarke), the Mayor of Willoughby (Alderman C. Leplastrier), the Mayor of Lane Cove (Alderman H. Catt), Aldermen N. F. Giblin and T. T. Forsyth (Willoughby), R. Harnett and F. Malley (Mosman), Tucker (Manly), and Mr. E. Forsyth (council clerk, Willoughby). The Mayor of North Sydney was in the chair. Alderman Catt read a minute adopted by the council of Lane Cove resisting the work of administering the Act, not through any objection to the Act, but on account of the expense cast upon the various councils. The chairman thought the best course to pursue was to pass a resolution embodying the objections of the municipalities and forward it to the Municipal Association. He considered the administration of the Act was a serious invasion on the funds of municipalities, and should be resisted.

Alderman Leplastrier had considered the councils had not the power to spend the moneys of the ratepayers on the Act; but from inquiries he had made he found the Board of Health had obtained legal opinions on the matter, which opinions were adverse to the councils. There existed no doubt of the intention of the board to enforce the Act. He thought too much work was thrown upon the local inspectors. The compensation clauses were the main objections, and might turn out to be serious.

Alderman Tucker failed to see why councils should be called upon to bear any expenses unless they were allowed to impose a sanitary rate. The chairman suggested a deputation to the Premier, and eventually it was resolved, on the motion of Alderman Leplastrier—"That the suburban councils be asked to join in a deputation to the Premier at an early date with a view of urging on the Government the desirability of amending the Public Health Act of 1896 in such a way as to relieve the municipalities entirely of the cost of its administration;" also, "That a committee of the five Mayors of the municipalities represented draw up a statement to submit to the Premier." The conference then adjourned.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

The "Public Service Gazette" notifies the following appointments and resignations:—

The Treasurer.—Mr. W. C. Wain as analyst and inspector of magazines, Mercantile Explosives Department (appointment confirmed); Miss Jessie Carlisle, on probation for six months, as typist in the office of the Public Service Board; Mr. George Gordon Grant, on probation for six months, as laboratory assistant in the Bacteriological Laboratory of the Board of Health; Mr. John Titchen, on probation for six months as warder, Mercantile Explosives Department, Newcastle. The following exchanges have been approved:—Mr. T. V. Smith, sub-collector of customs, Eden, and Mr. H. Brookes, inspector of excise for southern districts, stationed at Goulburn; Mr. J. Timbrell, warder, Goat Island Magazine, and Mr. W. Luck, warder, Middle Harbour Magazine, Mercantile Explosives Department.

Colonial Secretary.—Miss Matilda Ann Cavanagh and Miss Jennie Tweedie to be permanently appointed as nurses at the Coast Hospital, Little Bay; Mr. J. R. Martin, Assistant Statistician, and Dr. K. N. Morris, Superintendent of Technical Education, to be members of the Board of International Exchanges; Mrs. Eveline May Lambert to be permanently appointed as matron, No. 1 Cottage Home for Invalid Children, Mittagong, Department of Charitable Institutions; Mr. W. B. Geddes to be permanently appointed as junior clerk in the Department of Audit.

Minister for Education.—Inspectors Charles James Wilkins Friend and Henry Parkinson to be promoted.

Minister for Public Works.—Mr. William Ferrier, trades overseer, Bathurst Gaol, previously under the Justice Department, to be overseer under the Government Architect's branch of this department in connection with the marble industry at the same gaol; Mr. R. G. Edgell to be road superintendent, Wollombi (appointment confirmed). The following transfers in the roads staff have been approved:—Mr. Percy Scarr, district engineer, Wagga Wagga district, to be district engineer, Goulburn district; Mr. George Harden, road superintendent, Goulburn district, to be road superintendent, Campbelltown district; and Mr. Harley D. Cox, road superintendent, Campbelltown district, to be road superintendent, Wagga Wagga district.

Minister for Lands.—Mr. Clarence Carlyle Denshire to be junior clerk, local land board office, Moree, on probation for six months.

Minister for Justice.—The Rev. Charles Mortimer Thomas to be Church of England chaplain to the prison at Trial Bay; the Rev. John Kivil Turner to be Wesleyan chaplain to the gaol at Darlinghurst on probation for 12 months; Messrs. William James Kersell, Robert Roland Wisdom, Bromley William Lindsay Bamford, and John Benjamin Gibson, of the head office, to be promoted; Mr. Albert William Gerard Schey to be junior clerk in the head office of this department for a further period of three months.

Postmaster-General.—Mr. Thomas Keelty, operator, Wentworth, to a similar position, Mudgee; Mr. John Maidment, operator, head office, to a similar position, Wentworth.

Resignations.—Mr. T. J. Foley, railway stationmaster, Temora; Captain T. A. Davies, police magistrate, Kempsey.

The Japanese are kind to animals, and hold them in honour. Among the monuments erected to commemorate the war in China is one to the horses that fell during that war.

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THE HANDFUL OF THINGS WE KNOW.

Several years ago an American humorist and poet published some verses called "Little Breeches." This was an odd name given to a very small boy who was caught out in a tremendous snowstorm, and finally found in some hay quite a distance from the house. How ever the boy got there bothered everybody to explain. It was certain he never could have walked. So his father said the angels must have done it; "they just stooped down and toted him to where it was safe and warm," he said. The poetry about it (supposed to have been written by the youngster's father) starts off in this way:—

I don't go much on religion,
I never ain't had no show;
But I've a middling tight grip, sir,
On the handful of things I know.

That's it; the handful of things we know. There aren't many of 'em, but there are a few. And one of them is this: That for a hundred results there is only one cause. Nature develops and makes differences; never a new force.

Here, for example, is an incident which shows our meaning. About Christmas, 1889, Mr. E. B. Wright had an attack of influenza. Previous to this he had always been strong and hearty. Well, he got over the influenza; still, it had given him (as he say,) "a shake." After this he got along fairly well until February of this year (1892), when the influenza attacked him again. This time the malady "meant business." Nearly every bone and muscle in his body ached like sore teeth. His skin was hot and dry, and to bed he was obliged to go. For sixteen days he was under a doctor. At the end of that time he found himself alive, and that was about all you could say for him.

In his letter he goes on to tell what happened next. "I had a foul taste in the mouth," he says, "and my teeth and tongue were covered with a thick slimy phlegm. My wife says my tongue was like an oyster shell, and I'm sure it was rough as a nutmeg grater. What I ate, which wasn't much, gave me pain in the chest and sides. After a mouthful or two I felt full and blown out, and I used to swell to a great size. By-and-by a hacking cough set in, and my breathing got short and quick. At night I lay for hours gasping for breath, and often coughed so I was afraid I should burst a blood vessel. I got weaker and weaker, and was like a broken-winded horse. The doctor said it was asthma, but he wasn't able to relieve it. Although I live only two minutes' walk from the factory where I work I had to stop and rest on my way many a time.

"Thus matters went with me until June, 1892. Then one day I took up the 'Essex Newsman,' and read of a man living at Earsham, near Bungay, having been cured by Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. I got some of the medicine from the International Tea Company, Braintree. After a few doses my breathing grew easier, and by keeping on with the syrup my food soon digested, the cough left me, and I gained strength. I am now as strong as ever, can eat anything, and walk for miles. I am a brushmaker, and work at the factory of Messrs. John West and Sons, High-street, Braintree, and have lived in this town over 40 years.—(Signed) E. B. WRIGHT, Sandpit-road, Braintree, Essex, August 23rd, 1892."

Now let us see how this illustrates the proposition we started out with. For almost three years Mr. Wright was ill with what seemed like a series of different diseases. He had the influenza twice, the asthma once, and another disease which he gives no name to, even if he recognised it. Look for a moment at the variety and incongruity of the pains and troubles he mentions, and he doesn't describe them all either. You would fancy he had half a dozen ailments at least, yet he had but one—indigestion and dyspepsia—of which all his bodily disturbances (influenza included, a blood disease) were symptoms. All came out of the stomach, and when Seigel's Syrup set that right the others quietly departed.

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WESTERN Agency, 5 Hunter-st., can rec. sup. B. and R., Darlinghurst, Nth. Shore, Lindfield, &c.

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Government Notices.

Department of Public Works, Sydney, 13th May, 1898.

TENDERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND SUPPLIES.

(For Conditions see Government Gazette.)

TENDERS for the Works, &c., specified below will be received at this Department until 2 o'clock p.m. on the dates mentioned.

MONDAY, 16th MAY.

Additions and Alterations, Post and Telegraph Office, Jerilderie.
Erection of Courthouse and Lockup, Kew.
Bridge over Tumut River at Brungle, road Gundagai to Tumut.
Erection of Post and Telegraph Office, Taree.
Additions, Courthouse, Parkes.
Erection of Police Station, Moonbi.
Additions and Alterations to Gaol, Cootamundra.
Additions and Repairs to H.M. Gaol, Young.
Repairs to Walls, &c., H.M. Gaol, Windsor.
Repairs, &c., to Chimney, Benevolent Asylum, Parramatta.
Repairs, &c. Custom House, Wollongong.
Manufacture, Supply, and Delivery of 147 Timber Troughs for the North Sydney Outfall Works, Contract No. 190.

MONDAY, 23rd MAY.

Building a Wooden Screw Steam Tug, 81ft. 2in. by 18ft. 8in. by 6ft. 8in., the Government supplying engines, boilers, &c.
Bridge on Masonry Walls over Nattai Creek, Main South-road, near Mittagong.
Bridge over Greg Greg River, road Jingellic to Kancoban.
Bridge over Plumbago Creek, road Tenterfield to Ballina.
Additions to Lockup at Wyalong.
Alterations and Additions to Courthouse, Bingara.
Erection of Police Quarters, Gunning.
Repairs, Painting, &c., Courthouse, Muswellbrook.
Repairing Pipes, &c., in Steam Drying-room, Hospital for the Insane, Kenmore.
Construction of the extension of the Hannell-street Branch of the Cottage Creek Stormwater Channel, Newcastle. Contract No. 185.

MONDAY, 30th MAY.

Erection of Timber Beam Bridges Nos. 1 and 2 over Paroo River at Wanaaring, road Bourke to Wanaaring.
Supply and Delivery of 90,000 Ironbark Sleepers for the Moree to Inverell Railway.
New Fencing, &c., Benevolent Asylum, Liverpool.
Excavation, Concrete, &c., in connection with the Duplication of the 6ft. Pipe Line, Sydney Water Supply, Contract No. 5.

MONDAY, 6th JUNE.

Supply of two Steam Launches, one for the Clarence River, the other for Hunter River.
Erection of New Offices for the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board, Newcastle.
Erection of Courthouse, Adaminaby.
Additional Timber Beam Spans to Bridges over Brogo River at Brogo, Main South Coast Road.
Bridge over Collins Creek (Jeffrey's Bridge), Main South Coast Road, near Corrimal.

MONDAY, 13th JUNE.

Bridge over George's Creek, road Kempsey to Armidale.

MONDAY, 20th JUNE.

Bridge over the Puckawidgee Creek, road Comargo to Old Goree Bridge.

MONDAY, 27th JUNE.

Bridge over Jandra Creek, road Bourke to Louth.

MONDAY, 4th JULY.

Construction of Composite Truss Bridge over Queanbeyan River at Queanbeyan. Time extended.
(6a-186) J. H. YOUNG.

Department of Public Works, Sydney, 11th May, 1898.

ATTENTION is directed to Government Gazette Notice respecting the SALE, by PUBLIC AUCTION, of TOLLS or DUES to be taken at the RYDE FERRY, Meadow Bank, Parramatta River, for the period from 1st June, 1898, to 30th June, 1900. Sale to take place at the Courthouse, North Sydney, at noon on the 23rd instant.
J. H. YOUNG,
(6a-134) Minister for Public Works.

Headquarters Military Staff Office, Victoria Barracks, Sydney, 9th May, 1898.

NEW SOUTH WALES MILITARY FORCES.

TENDERS will be received up to 10 a.m. of the 25th instant, for the SUPPLY of UNIFORM CLOTHING, &c., for the undermentioned Partially-paid Regiments and Corps:—
N.S.W. Artillery Regiment
N.S.W. Corps of Engineers
1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Infantry Regiments
Army Service Corps
Medical Staff Corps;
and may be submitted as follows:—
(a) For the whole.
(b) For any particular Regiment or Corps.
(c) For any one or more sections.
(d) For any section of any particular Regiment or Corps.
The sections are:—
I.—Caps, hats, helmets, &c.
II.—Jackets, trousers, &c.
III.—Embroidery and garniture.
IV.—Cloaks, caps, greatcoats.
V.—Boots and laces.
The amount of security for the whole or any section thereof is shown on the printed form of tender.
Printed forms of tender, together with all information, can be obtained on application to the undersigned at the abovementioned office, where patterns may also be inspected, any day except Thursdays and Sundays, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
By order.
M. BOAM, Captain and Brevet-Major,
(1s-149) Secretary, Military Central Clothing Board.

Victoria Barracks, Sydney, 30th April, 1898.

TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to the 31st May, 1898, for the SUPPLY of BOOTS for the N.S.W. ARTILLERY REGIMENT from 1st July, 1898, to 30th June, 1900. Full particulars can be obtained on application at the Office of the Quarter-Master, N.S.W. Artillery, Victoria Barracks.
H. AIREY, Lt.-Col. N.S.W.A.,
(1s-146) President Clothing Board.

PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD.

50 Young-street, Sydney, 6th May, 1898.

A COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION of CANDIDATES for admission to the PROFESSIONAL DIVISION of the PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE COLONY will be held in Sydney, and at various Country centres, which will be fixed as far as possible to suit the convenience of Candidates, on the 27th JUNE and four following days. The estimated number of appointments to be made is 20. Candidates must not be less than 16 or more than 21 years of age on the first day of examination, of good moral character, and in sound health. Persons already employed in the Clerical and General Divisions of the Public Service, or who may have previously been employed therein, and retired for reasons other than an offence, will be admitted to the examination, provided their age does not exceed 30 years. Candidates may elect to be examined for either the Engineering, the Survey, or Drafting Branches, but must state in their application the Branch which they desire to enter. Candidates for the Engineering Branch will be examined in the following subjects:—(1) Handwriting, (2) English (Dictation, Composition, Precis Writing, Parsing, Analysis, and Derivation of Words), (3) Arithmetic (full course), (4) Geometry (Euclid, First Book), (5) Geography (outlines of physical and political geography, and the geography of the Australasian Colonies in moderate detail), (6) English History from the middle of the eighteenth century to the present time, especially with reference to the colonies and dependencies, (7) Mathematics (Euclid, Books 2 to 4 and 6, including easy exercises in these books, Algebra up to and including quadratic equations), (8) Elementary Drawing, and (9) Elementary Geology. Candidates for the Survey or Drafting Branches will be examined in the first eight subjects referred to above. Candidates for all branches will also be allowed to take any two, but not more than two, of the following subjects:—(a) English, a prescribed author, viz., Tennyson's "Gareth and Lynette" (Macmillan), (b) Latin, (c) French, (d) German, (e) Elementary Chemistry. Any candidate for admission to the Professional Division who has previously passed the examination for the Clerical Division may, on application being made by him, be credited on examination with the number of marks obtained by him at the Clerical Examination in the subjects that are common to the two examinations. Application to attend the examination must be made on a form for the purpose, which can be obtained at the office of the Board, and must reach the undersigned not later than the 1st June. Candidates will be required to pay an examination fee of 10s, which must be lodged with a Clerk of Petty Sessions, or the Treasury, and the receipt therefor forwarded to the Secretary of the Board with the form of application. A list of registered candidates with centres of examination will be published in the Government Gazette, after the time for the receipt of applications has expired, and candidates will also be advised direct of the place at which they will be examined.

Copies of the Regulations in regard to this examination can be obtained from the Government Printing Office.

An EXAMINATION in accordance with the provisions of the Public Service Act, for the office of POLICE MAGISTRATE, will be held on the 27th and 28th June, at the Technical College, Sydney, and such Country centres as may be found necessary. The office of Police Magistrate is within the Professional Division, and the salary assigned thereto ranges from £350 per annum upwards. This Examination will be open to persons not in the Public Service, as well as those employed therein. Magistrates will be chosen, as required, from the list of those passing the examination, it being understood that qualified persons already in the Public Service will have the first claim to appointment. The Board desire it to be understood, however, that the fact of a person having passed the Police Magistrate Examination is not to be taken as committing the Board in any way to a recommendation for his appointment. Attention is drawn to section 31 of the Public Service Act, which provides that persons to be appointed to the office of Police Magistrate must be of the full age of 35 years or upwards. The subjects of examination are contained in the regulations on the subject which were published in the Government Gazette of the 25th August, 1897. Candidates desirous of attending the examination must make application on a form for the purpose, which can be obtained from the Secretary to the Board. An examination fee of £2 2s will be required from Candidates, which must be paid into the Treasury, and the receipt therefor forwarded to the undersigned, together with the Candidate's application, on or before the 1st June.

A COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION of CANDIDATES for JUNIOR CLERKSHIPS in the PUBLIC SERVICE of the Colony will be held in Sydney and at various Country centres, which will be fixed as far as possible to suit the convenience of Candidates, on the 27th June and four following days. The estimated number of appointments to be made is 50. Candidates must not be more than 16 or more than 21 years of age on the first day of examination, of good moral character, and in sound health. Persons already employed in the General Division of the Public Service will be admitted to the examination provided their age does not exceed 30 years. The subjects in which Candidates will be examined are:—Handwriting, English (Dictation, Composition, Precis Writing, Parsing, Analysis, and Derivation of Words), Arithmetic (full course), Geometry (Euclid, First Book), Geography (outlines of physical and political geography and the geography of the Australasian colonies in moderate detail), English History from the middle of the eighteenth century to the present time, especially with reference to the colonies and dependencies. Candidates will also be allowed to take any two, but not more than two, of the following subjects:—Mathematics, English, a prescribed author, viz., Tennyson's "Gareth and Lynette" (Macmillan), Latin, French, German, Elementary Chemistry, and Elementary Geology. Application to attend examination must be made on a form for the purpose, which can be obtained at the office of the Board, and must reach the undersigned not later than the 1st June. Candidates will be required to pay an examination fee of 10s, which must be lodged with the Clerk of Petty Sessions or the Treasury, and the receipt therefor forwarded to the Secretary of the Board with the form of application. A list of registered candidates with centres of examination will be published in the Government Gazette after the time for the receipt of applications has expired, and candidates will also be advised direct of the place at which they will be examined.

The regulations and copies of the papers set at the last examination can be obtained at the Government Printing Office and the principal booksellers.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the position of MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT at the COAST HOSPITAL, LITTLE BAY. The position is in the Professional Division, grade A1, and the salary is £600 per annum with quarters, rations, fuel, light, and attendance. Candidates must be legally qualified medical practitioners, and must not be more than 45 years of age. Applications should reach the undersigned not later than the 28th May, 1898.
By order of the Board.
(6s-66) J. W. HOLLIMAN, Secretary.

Department of Public Instruction, Sydney, 12th May, 1898.

TENDERS are invited for IMPROVEMENTS and REPAIRS, Sandringham Public School. For conditions see Government Gazette. Specifications may be seen at the Department of Public Instruction, Sydney, where tenders will be received up to noon on THURSDAY, the 26th May, 1898.
(5a-458) J. GARRARD.

ATTENTION is directed to the Notice in the Government Gazette of the 3rd May, 1898, in which TENDERS are invited for LEASING the ACCOMMODATION HOUSE, OUTBUILDINGS, and LAND at the JENOLAN CAVES for a period of 10 years from the 1st July, 1898. Tenders close on the 31st instant. Copy of conditions, plans, &c., may be seen at the Department of Mines and Agriculture, Sydney, and at the Jenolan Caves.
SYDNEY SMITH,
(8a-74) Minister for Mines and Agriculture.

Department of Mines and Agriculture, Sydney, 12th May, 1898.

ATTENTION is directed to the Government Gazette of the above date, wherein tenders are invited for the SUPPLY of 15 BUCKLED PLATE TANKS, up to 12 o'clock noon of the 17th May, 1898. Specification, &c., may be seen, and forms of tender obtained at the Public Watering Places and Artesian Boring Branch, Mines Department, Sydney.
(8b-76) SYDNEY SMITH, Minister for Mines and Agriculture.

Postal and Electric Telegraph Department, General Post Office, Sydney, 3rd May, 1898.

ATTENTION is directed to Gazette Notice inviting TENDERS for the SUPPLY of LETTER-BOXES. Tenders will be received at this office up to noon on the 8th proximo, and must be addressed to the Deputy Postmaster-General, Sydney.
(7a-75) JOSEPH COOK.

Roads Office, North Sydney, May 6th, 1898.

LEASE OF RYDE FERRY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the above LEASE will be put up to auction by the Clerk of Petty Sessions at the Courthouse, North Sydney, at noon on MONDAY, the 23rd May, 1898. Lease to date from June 1st, 1898, to June 30th, 1900.
WALTER A. SMITH, District Engineer.
6g-775.

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE.

TENDERS for the Works specified below will be received up to 11.30 a.m. on the dates mentioned. For particulars see Government Gazette.

16th MAY.

Construction of 34,560 lineal feet of Stoneware Pipe Sewers, Borough of Balmain.
Construction of 21,050 lineal feet of Stoneware and Cast-iron Pipe Sewers, Borough of Petersham.
Fresh Tenders for Erection of Caretaker's Cottage at Penshurst Tanks Depot.

23rd MAY.

Construction of 15,664 lineal feet of Stoneware Pipe Sewers, Borough of North Sydney.
Construction of 3112 lineal feet of Stoneware Pipe Sewers, Borough of North Sydney.
WILLIAM HOLMES, Secretary.
341 Pitt-street, 11th May, 1898. (61-83)

TO Government Contractors.—Vulpe's Dynamite, 1s per lb.; taking 10 cases first-class Steel, 20s per cwt.; 800 tons Bolts and Nuts up to 36in. long. One of the largest stocks of Ironmongery in Australia; cheapest prices.
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A BRICK COTTAGE, 5s per week, perfect order. 89 Camden-st., Newtown.

A CLEAN four-roomed COTTAGE, copper, &c., 7s 6d. A. Witte, grocer, Wallis-st., Woollahra.

A CLEAN 5-roomed House, copper, every conv., 2d tram. Elsie-terrace, Portman-st., Zetland Estate, Waterloo.

A COMFORTABLE Furnished COTTAGE to LET. North Sydney, near ferry. Macro, 135 King-st.

ADVERTISING BOARD, 30 x 10, to LET. Apply 21 Carlton-crescent, Summer Hill.

A HOUSE, 7 rooms, rent 10s. 43 Parramatta-rd., 3 doors from Hackshall's factory.

A SHOP and Dwelling, near railway station, 12 George-st. West. Apply 14.

A SHOP and Dwelling, suited retail boots and shoes or tailor, 14s. 69 George-st., Camperdown.

AT Enmore Tram Terminus.—Through the removal of photographer, large Shop and Dwel. J. Cole, grocer.

AT Butler's, 99 William-st.—Houses and Cottages, 4s 6d, 6s, 7s, 8s, 9s, 10s, 11s, 12s, to 60s; Shops, Apart's.

AT Hurstville, 4-room Cot., garden, newly done up, 5s 6d, water laid on, 5 min. stat. 43 Denison-st., W'lhra.

AUBURN.—Brick Cottage, 4 rooms, kit., city water, 8s. Harley, accountant, Temple-court, King-st.

A.—A SHOP and DWELLING, every convenience, rent 25s per week; also a Shop, 10s per week, Avoca-street, Randwick. Apply S. SEARLE, Belmore-road, Randwick.

A CITY BOARDING-HOUSE to Let, 4 minutes from G.P.O., 11 rooms, bathroom, kitchen, servant's room, every convenience. Rent, 35s; immediate possession. PIERCY ETHELL and CO., 3 Moore-street.

A COTTAGE, Lugar-street, Waverley, containing 6 rooms, kitchen, and outoffices, small garden and good yard; reduced rent. WALKER BROS., 108 Pitt-street.

A DETACHED RESIDENCE to LET, Wigram-road, GLEBE POINT, 6 rooms and offices, hot water laid on, stable, gas and sewerage, land 30 x 100, close to tram, rent 25s. PIERCY ETHELL and CO., 3 Moore-street.

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A SHOP to LET, in best position at FOREST LODGE, suit stationer, bootmaker, &c.; Dwelling of 5 rooms, &c., gas; rent 25s. PIERCY ETHELL and CO., 3 Moore-street, city.

A SUITE of GROUND-FLOOR OFFICES, Beresford-chambers, 30 Castlereagh-street, now occupied by Messrs. Villeneuve-Smith and Dawes, Solicitors, to whom apply for particulars.

AT 363 Pitt-street, two splendid STORES, 4 large flats, cellars, lifts, &c., very suitable for boot clothing, or other manufacturing purposes. For particulars apply S. GEE, 369 Pitt-street. Telephone, 2360.

AT MOORE'S-ROAD.—Victoria-terrace, desirable HOUSES of 9 good rooms and outoffices, with stable and coachhouse, large yard; reduced rents. WALKER BROS., 108 Pitt-street.

AT STRATHFIELD.—Gentleman's Detached RESIDENCE, handy to station, contg. dining, drawing, breakfast, library, 6 bedrooms, servants' apartments, tennis court, stables, c'hhouse, gar., &c. Walker Bros., 108 Pitt-st.

AT BLANDVILLE.—WATER-FRONTAGE COTTAGE RESIDENCE of 7 rooms, kitchen, and offices, land 100 x 250, boatshed, &c. WALKER BROS., 108 Pitt-street.

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AT CHATSWOOD.—A Detached Brick COTTAGE, WERDNAB, VICTORIA-AVENUE, 7 rooms, &c., in first-class order, just done up, 20s. MARSHALL and DEMPSTER, Pitt-street, opp. G.P.O.

A VILLA RESIDENCE to LET, at Elizabeth Bay, containing 6 rooms and all conveniences. Lovely views of harbour. Reduced Rent. WALKER BROS., 108 Pitt-street.

A WATERSIDE RESIDENCE, Lane Cove River, 8 bedrooms, 3 reception-rooms, stabling, charming pleasure grounds, 6 acres, private wharf, boating and bathing houses. HARDIE and GORMAN, 133 Pitt-st.

A GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE TO LET, FRAZER-ROAD, LEWISHAM. 10 rooms and offices, dairy, storeroom, 2-stall stable, coachhouse, land ½-acre, garden, lawn, &c., 3 minutes from station, newly renovated, rent £90. PIERCY ETHELL and CO., 3 Moore-street.

ASHFIELD.—To LET, LORRAINE, situate in Charlotte-street, contains 6 rooms, besides kitchen, laundry, stove, pantry, servant's room, bathroom, &c., large grounds, gas and water laid on, no taxes. Apply to R. A. CAPE, Cape's-chambers, Bond-street, city.

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AT WALTER LEWIS'S Australian-chambs., Rowe-st. CITY.—38 Francis-st., House, 5 rooms, kitchen, copper, &c., just done up. HURSTVILLE.—Cottage, 5 rooms, &c., close station, 6s. NORTH SYDNEY and MOSMAN.—Houses, Cottages; also, Houses, Cottages, Shops, all rents and sizes.

AT DARLINGHURST-ROAD, near Macleay-street.—A modern HOUSE to LET, containing 10 large lofty rooms, in thorough repair, with every modern convenience. For further particulars apply ARTHUR J. DAVIS, 40A Sydney Arcade.

AT DARLING POINT. ST. VIGEANS, Gentleman's Detached RESIDENCE, containing 3 reception rooms, 6 bedrooms, kitchen, pantries, and every convenience. Grounds nicely laid out in lawns, flower beds, trees, shrubs, &c. WALKER BROS., 108 Pitt-street.

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Croydon.—Cottage, 6 rooms, bath, copper, &c., 12s a week
George-street.—Residential Flat, 7 rooms, &c., low rent
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Paddington.—House, Ormond-st., 6 rooms, bath, &c., low rent
Paddington.—Shop and Cottage, 6 rms, &c., 10s wk. each
Pyrmont.—Cottage, 3 rooms, &c., 7s a week
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Shop, King-street, near Sussex-street, low rent
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Stores, Sussex-street, between King and Market streets.—3 flats, two entrances, low rent.
Surry Hills.—House, 4 rooms, &c., 8s a week
Surry Hills.—Crown-street, House, 7 rooms, bath, gas, &c., 18s a week
Woollahra.—Cottage, Spicer-street, 4 rooms, &c., 8s a week
Woollahra.—House, 6 rooms, bath, &c., 16s a week
Waterloo.—Cottage, 4 rooms, &c., 8s a week.

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KATOOMBA.—A gentleman will LET superior furnished 6-roomed COTTAGE, principal street, close station, nominal rent, piano, bath, &c. Apply 233 Castlereagh-street.

KIRRIBILLI POINT.—To LET, NICE VILLA, containing 6 rooms and all modern offices, garden, splendid position, CLOSE TO FERRY, moderate rental. Apply SIDNEY RAPER, 90 Pitt-street.

L'AVENUE PARK.—HOUSE, 10 rooms, kitchen, outoffices, 2 ten. courts, 2d tram. Kettle's Estate, Newtn.

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LEWISHAM.—Brae Brook, Victoria-st., 6 rms., kit. bath, cop., gas, every con., 5 mins. station, £1 week.

LLANABAR, 77 Bridge-rd., Camperdown, 12 rooms, every conv., stable, 2d 'bus, tram, 21s. Apply 73.

LAVENDER BAY.—WATER FRONTAGE RESIDENCE, 2 minutes from M'Mahon's Point Wharf, containing 6 large rooms, kitchen, and offices. BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Ltd.

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LARGE CITY PREMISES.—To LET, those large and commodious PREMISES recently occupied by Messrs. Parsons Bros and Co., situate in Harbour-street, comprising 4 very large flats and basement, suitable for STORES, WAREHOUSE, or FACTORY. WALKER BROS., 108 Pitt-street.

MANLY.—Furnished COTTAGE, 5 rooms, kitchen, &c., near ferry. Pacific View, Darley-rd.

MANLY.—To LET, furnished, BELMORE, facing harbour, near pier. Mrs. J. T. Smith, Eustace-st.

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MILSON'S POINT.—Comfortable House, 5 rooms, kit., washhouse, 14s 6d. Stanway and Slack, Mils. P.

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MOSMAN.—COTTAGES to LET at various rentals. Apply Davidson, estate agent, Avenue-rd.

MEDICAL ROOMS to LET on GROUND FLOOR, 233 MACQUARIE-STREET NORTH, thoroughly renovated. MARSHALL and DEMPSTER, Pitt-st., opp. G.P.O.

MILSON'S POINT.—Handsome and complete RESIDENCE, near ferry, 6 rooms, kit., laundry, bathroom, pantries, &c. STANWAY and SLACK, Milson's Point.

MOSMAN.—Snug and Cheerful DWELLINGS.—New Cottages, 20s, 22s, 25s, 27s, 30s, 48s weekly. J. J. KEAREY, end of first section electric tram, Military-road, Mosman. No bother. Drive to inspect (free).

MOSMAN.—Four-roomed COTTAGE and Offices to LET, large piece of land, handy for tram and ferry, rent 16s 6d per week. Apply DAVIDSON, Estate Agent, Avenue-road.

MOSMAN.—CASA, Gladstone-avenue, 5 large rooms, &c., rent 21s. RAYWOOD and CO., Avenue-road, Mosman; or H. W. HORNING and CO., 75 Pitt-street, city.

MOSMAN'S BAY.—To LET, ROSEGARLAND, waterside Cottage, 8 minutes ferry, large garden, 5 rooms, det. kitchen and pantry, bathroom, laundry, &c., charming view, city water laid all over property, gas, every convenience. Apply on premises, Moran-street, off Clanalpine-street, Mosman's; R. Moran, 8 Change-alley, Circ. Quay.

NEATE'S Furnished Cottages, near station, winter terms. Neate Bros., grocers, Blackheath.

NEWTOWN.—HOUSE, 5 rooms, kit., pantry, laund., bath, good sit., 18s. Meynell and Ord, 114 King-st.

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NORTH SYDNEY, 52 M'Dougall-st.—Cottage, 3 rms., kit., laund., copper, &c. Walker Bros., 108 Pitt-st.

NORTH SYDNEY, Victoria-st.—House, 4 rooms, kit., l., bath, just done up, 10s. Walker Bros., 108 Pitt-st.

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NEUTRAL BAY.—RESIDENCE of 8 rooms, magnificent view of harbour. Immediate possession. Apply NOTT BROTHERS, Estate Agents, 80 Pitt-street.

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NEUTRAL BAY.—Detached RESIDENCE with WATER FRONTAGE, 7 rooms, kit., laundry, bathroom, &c., large area of land, BOAT HOUSE, near ferry. STANWAY and SLACK, Milson's Point.

NEUTRAL BAY.—Detached Brick COTTAGE, 4 rooms, kit., washhouse, bathroom, &c., large yard and garden, rent 14s. STANWAY and SLACK, Milson's Point.

NEWTOWN.—HOUSE, 8 rooms, ballroom, kitchen, laundry, bath, and w.c. upstairs, large yard, private grounds, tennis courts, 30s. MEYNELL and ORD, 114 King-street, Newtown.

NEWTOWN, Newman-street.—Superior HOUSE, 6 rooms, kit., all possible conveniences, one minute from Newtown bridge and 2d tram, train, and 'bus, rent 18s. EKIN and CO., 316 King-street, Newtown.

NEWTOWN, Watkin-st.—Large 7-roomed HOUSE, hall, folding-doors, kitchen, laundry, all conv., 16s, close to station and 2d tram and 'bus. EKIN and CO., 316 King-street, Newtown.

NORTH SYDNEY.—Cottage Residence, 2 drawing-rooms, folding doors, 4 bedrooms, verandahs, wide hall, dining-room, outoffices and grounds. Apply LILY GLEN, Eaton street, off Alfred-street, near Neutral Bay.

NORTH SYDNEY.—STANWAY and SLACK, the Arcade, Milson's Point, have a large number of Residences in hand to be Let not otherwise advertised, including Mosman, North Shore Line, &c.

NORTH WILLOUGHBY.—COTTAGE, containing 7 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, &c., good garden, rent £1 per week. RAINE and HORNE, 2 Hunter-street.

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NORTH SYDNEY.—Very handsome new Brick COTTAGE, 8 rooms, kit., laundry, pantries, marble mantels, tiled hearths, cedar fittings throughout, slate roof. STANWAY and SLACK, Milson's Point.

NORTH SYDNEY.—Superior HOUSE, 8 good rooms, kit., laundry, bathroom, &c. harbour views, near ferry and tram, rent 22s 6d weekly. STANWAY and SLACK, Milson's Point.

OFFICE, Martin-chambers, corner Pitt and Moore streets, containing all modern conveniences, splendid light, hyd. lift, &c., 10s. Apply W. A. ERWIN, 50 York-street.

Auction Sales.

60 HORSES. 60
ALL FROM ONE STATION.
UPSTANDING and HANDSOME.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, are instructed by Messrs. E. and M. CAMERON to sell by auction at Camperdown on TUESDAY, 19th May, at 2.30 p.m., 60 very fine Colts and Fillies, bred on Foyle View.
These horses are described as comprising 36 colts and 24 fillies, with a lot of breeding, exceedingly well grown, and suitable for all kinds of light harness or saddle work.
Sale will be, as usual, to time, unreserved, and no delay.

IN THE BANKRUPT ESTATE OF CHAS. KIRK, No. 8 NEUTRAL-STREET, NORTH SYDNEY.
MONDAY NEXT, MAY 16, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANOFORTE, and EFFECTS.
DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, PIANOFORTE by Chapel, PIER GLASSES, CARPETS, RUGS, LINOLEUMS, 4ft. 6in. H.T. BEDSTEAD, brass head and foot rails, Pair Toilets, Sets of Ware, 3ft. H.T. Bedsteads, Combination Chests of Drawers, Kitchen and Laundry Utensils, Kerosene Stove, Sundries, &c.
DALWOOD and CO. have received instructions from N. F. GIBLIN, Esq., Official Assignee, to sell as above.

CLEARING-OUT SALE of FIRST-CLASS BUTCHERING BUSINESS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. N. Holden to sell by auction, on the Premises known as the Dubbo Meat Supply, 18 Oxford-square, off Oxford-street, on MONDAY Next, the 16th instant, at 2.30 p.m.,
The above well-known Business, also Working Plant, consisting of Horse, Cart, and Harness, Pickle Tubs, Pumps, Sausage Filler, Sausage Board, Salting Bench, 2 large Blocks, Marble-top Counter, Cedar-top Counter, Saltboard, Knives, Choppers, 3 Long Arms, Scales and Weights, Saddle and Bridle, &c., &c.
THE ABOVE BUSINESS HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED ON BY MR. HOLDEN FOR THE PAST 3 YEARS AND 9 MONTHS, AND HE IS SELLING SOLELY ON ACCOUNT OF HIS RETIRING FROM THE BUTCHERING BUSINESS.

IMPORTANT SALE of SUPERIOR JERSEY CATTLE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. H. Dean, of Windsor, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, on WEDNESDAY NEXT, AT 2.30 P.M.,
20 VERY CHOICE JERSEY CATTLE, comprising 16 Heifers and Cows and 4 young Bulls. Several of the cows are in full milk, the balance close to calving.
FULL PEDIGREES IN CATALOGUES AT SALE.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS TUESDAY NEXT, AT 2.30 P.M.
10 EXTRA HEAVY DRAUGHT HORSES and 1 SPLENDID CARRIAGE COLT.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. S. S. to sell by auction, as above, 10 EXTRA HEAVY DRAUGHT HORSES, principally broken in, 5 and 6 years old.
THESE ARE AN EXCEPTIONALLY GRAND LOT OF BIG, POWERFUL, GOOD-QUALITY HORSES, AND ARE WORTHY THE SPECIAL ATTENTION OF BREWERS, HEAVY CARRIERS, SHIPPERS, AND OTHERS.
Also, 1 HIGH-CLASS BAY CARRIAGE COLT, possessing quality and substance.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS, FRIDAY Next, MAY 20th, at 2.30 p.m.
HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.
60 REALLY FIRST-CLASS FRESH COUNTRY HORSES.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction as above,
On account of Mr. H. DUNN, Goulburn.
30 SUPERIOR HORSES, consisting of DRAUGHTS, 'BUS, and VAN descriptions, and WELL BRED LIGHT HORSES, with substance, broken and unbroken.
On account of Mr. J. SCARVELL, The Hunter.
30 HIGH-CLASS COLTS and FILLIES, full of breeding, quality, and substance, 4 and 5 years old.
THESE ARE DESCRIBED AS A GRAND LOT OF GOOD-QUALITY, THICKSET, LIGHT HORSES, SPECIALLY SUITABLE for the INDIAN MARKET.

IMPORTANT NOTICE to BREEDERS, TRAINERS, HEADS OF FAMILIES, DAIRYMEN, &c., &c.
40 REALLY FIRST-CLASS PUREBRED JERSEY CATTLE.
FOR SALE BY AUCTION at WILLIAM INGLIS and SON'S Bazaar, Pitt and Castlereagh streets, Sydney, on FRIDAY, MAY 27th, AT 2 P.M.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, as above, ON ACCOUNT OF THE PROPRIETORS OF GOOLHI STATION, GUNNEDAH, who have recently purchased the property, and have decided to dispose of the whole of the Dairy Cattle:
40 PURE-BRED JERSEY CATTLE, consisting of ONE BULL, the balance COWS and HEIFERS, one to three years old, all in calf, and all bred from imported stock of first-class strains.
THE ABOVE SALE AFFORDS AN EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITY OF PURCHASING STOCK OF THIS FAVOURITE BREED. THE STUD WAS ORIGINALLY FORMED WITH STOCK SPECIALLY SELECTED BY A FIRST-CLASS JUDGE REGARDLESS OF EXPENSE.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT AND ATTRACTIVE SALE OF RACEHORSES.
On Account of SAMUEL HORDERN, Esq.
WITHOUT RESERVE.
MONDAY, 23rd MAY.
H. CHISHOLM and CO. have been favoured with instructions from SAMUEL HORDERN, Esq., to SELL by AUCTION (ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE), at his STABLES, BOTANY-STREET, RANDWICK, on MONDAY, 23rd instant, at half-past 2 o'clock,
The following RACEHORSES and YEARLINGS:—
STALLIONS—
ASTRONOMER, bay horse, 5 years, by Castor (imp.)—Frailty.
ON GUARD, 2 years, by Nordenfeldt—Miranda.
CRAVAT, bay horse, 5 years, by Castor (imp.)—Necklace.
VIVIAN, chestnut horse, 5 years, by Abercorn—Lady Vivian (imp.).
GELDINGS—
TOREADOR, chestnut gelding, 5 years, by Chester or Abercorn—Tempe.
JOHANSEN (late NANSEN), bay gelding, 2 years, by Nordenfeldt—Lady Nord.
NOR'-WEST, black gelding, 4 years, by Nordenfeldt—Miss Westbourne (imp.).
YEARLING COLTS—
Brown Colt, by Sweet William—Melody.
Chestnut Colt, by Grandmaster (imp.)—First Love.
Chestnut Colt, by Abercorn—Tempe.
FOR LEASE ONLY.
WELBECK, bay colt, 3 years, by Carbine—Novelette.
NOR'-EAST, black colt, 3 years, by Nordenfeldt—Miss Westbourne (imp.).
Also,
SADDLES, BRIDLES, CLOTHING, and STABLE REQUISITES.
CATALOGUES on application.
SPECIAL NOTICE.—The Auctioneers have received POSITIVE INSTRUCTIONS to SELL RIGHT OUT BY AUCTION and to entertain no private offers.
H. CHISHOLM and CO., Agents.
1 and 2 Rofe-chambers, Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

TURANVILLE ANNUAL HORSE SALE.
UNRESERVED SALE.
HORSES 420 HORSES.
TO RACING MEN, INDIAN BUYERS, HORSE BREEDERS, AND OTHERS.
SIXTH ANNUAL SALE.
TURANVILLE.
THOROUGHBRED COLTS and FILLIES and INDIAN REMOUNTS.
THURSDAY and FRIDAY, MAY 26th and 27th, 1898.
AT TURANVILLE ESTATE, SCONE.
124 THOROUGHBRED COLTS and FILLIES, 1, 2, and 3 years.
SIRES: INVADER, FUSILIER, BELLARMIN, GLENALVON, SIR WILLIAM, SPECULATION, THE WORKS, and Others.
300 COLTS and FILLIES, 4, 5, and 6 years.
SIRES: FLYING SHALES (imp.) and his Sons and THOROUGHBRED SIRES.
All these were handled when they were foals by their dam's sides, and caught and handled when weaned and branded. They are all sound, good-boned animals, showing great substance, and of the class that has earned such a high character for Turanville horses in the colonies and India.
EDWARD HIGGENS (for Hill, Clark, and Co., in conjunction with Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited) has received instructions from THOS. COOK, Esq., to sell at Turanville, by public auction, WITHOUT RESERVE, The above Grand Lot of Horses.
STARTING AT 11 A.M. ON THURSDAY, 26th MAY.
CATALOGUES on application to EDWARD HIGGENS, Muswellbrook; and PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, Sydney.

DENT and PERRY will sell by auction, at Newtown Station, THIS DAY, at 7 o'clock, Wood, &c.

DENT and PERRY will sell by auction, at Darling Harbour, THIS DAY, at 8 o'clock, Wood, &c.

DENT and PERRY will sell by auction, at Redfern Station, THIS DAY, at 9.15, Hay, Straw, Chaff, Maize, Pumpkins, Potatoes. DENT and PERRY, Auctioneers, 151 Sussex-street.

SNAILS BAY
(per Parramatta River Steamers, from foot of King-street)
THURSDAY NEXT, 19th MAY, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION at FAIRLEA, LONGNOSE POINT.
Under instructions from Mrs. IRVIN-LEIPNER, in consequence of LEAVING FOR NORTHERN QUEENSLAND.
The whole of her SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.
FAIRLEA is a Large Residence, completely furnished throughout. The appointments of the various rooms are in good order, and will be sold
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
JAMES R. LAWSON (LAWSON and SMITH) has been favoured with instructions from Mrs. IRVIN-LEIPNER to conduct the Important Sale by Auction at her Residence as above, on
THURSDAY NEXT, 19th MAY, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M.
. THE RESIDENCE, commanding splendid views of the harbour, with water frontage, most conveniently situated, IS TO LET. The apartments are well arranged, and the whole of the premises have been recently renovated.

ROSLYN GARDENS, ELIZABETH BAY.
MONDAY NEXT, 16th MAY, at 11 o'clock a.m.
UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION at the Residence of H. UNWIN, Esq., GUMLEY, ROSLYN GARDENS, ELIZABETH BAY, in consequence of his departure to reside in the country.
SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, DINING-ROOM and SITTING-ROOM FURNITURE, FURNITURE FOR SEVERAL BEDROOMS, and the whole of the GENERAL HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES.
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
JAMES R. LAWSON (LAWSON and SMITH) has been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at the Residence, as above, on MONDAY NEXT, 16th MAY, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

FURS. FURS. FURS.
Important to Ladies looking for Winter Furs, Travellers, Speculators, and Others.
On TUESDAY NEXT, 17th MAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M., at LAWSON and SMITH'S AUCTION ROOMS, 128-130 PITT-STREET (NEAR KING-STREET).
SPECIAL CONSIGNMENT of VALUABLE TASMANIAN AND AUSTRALIAN FURS, including TRAVELLING RUGS in GREAT VARIETY, manufactured in SPECIALLY SELECTED and thoroughly bark-tanned Skins, GUARANTEED PURE. Black Tasmanian, Mountain Grey, and New England Opossum, Swamp Wallaby, Brush Wallaby, Striped Wallaby, Kangaroo, Water Mole, Native Cat, Ringtail Opossum, &c., &c.
LARGE SPECIMEN RUGS, Parlour Mats, Bedside Mats, Foot-warmers, Hearthrugs, Fancy Tail Mats, Cot Rugs.
VALUABLE PLATYPUS RUGS.
VERY FINE ASSORTMENT of FURS FOR LADIES' PERSONAL WEAR, in the Latest English and Parisian Styles; all garments perfectly cut and very beautifully finished. AVALON CAPES, VICTORIAS, CIRCLETS, COLLARETTES, GOLF CAPES, VICTORIENNES, BOAS, EMPRESS CAPES.
Also, Travelling Caps, Bags, Specimens, and a Large Collection of Miscellaneous Furs.
JAMES R. LAWSON (LAWSON and SMITH) has been favoured with instructions to conduct the important Sale by Auction as above, of VALUABLE TASMANIAN and AUSTRALIAN FURS.
. ON VIEW ON MONDAY NEXT.
NO RESERVE WHATEVER.

Important to Ladies and Gentlemen about to Furnish, Dealers, Commission Agents, &c.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION on WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY, AT 11 A.M., at the Residence of Mrs. S. S. BARTLEY, RICHMOND HOUSE, No. 9 BENT-STREET (formerly the Australian Club).
The Whole of the FURNITURE and GENERAL APPOINTMENTS, including GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE.
DINING-ROOM and DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
VALUABLE PIANOFORTE.
BRUSSELS CARPETS and LINOLEUMS.
THE COMPLETE FURNITURE of THIRTY BEDROOMS.
JAMES R. LAWSON (LAWSON and SMITH) has been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at the Residence, as above, on WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY, at 11 A.M.
. RICHMOND HOUSE (formerly the old Australian Club) is well known as one of the most important Private Boarding Residences in the city. The house contains MANY ROOMS, completely furnished. THE AUCTIONEERS have the pleasure to intimate that they have been favoured with instructions to sell the whole of the effects
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY.
AT OUR AUCTION ROOMS, 275 PITT-STREET, NEXT TO THE SCHOOL OF ARTS.
SPECIAL SALE OF HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE, removed from Several Gentlemen's Residences for adequate display.
DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, Walnut Frames, covered finest French Genoa Velvet and Plush Borders.
ELEGANT BAMBOO DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, latest design, upholstered Green Plush.
SOLID WALNUT CABINET, with Bevelled Glass Cupboards, and fitted with Shelves and Recesses for Bric-a-Brac.
SUPERB INDIAN CABINET, very handsome Carvings, numerous Recesses and Shelves for Ornaments, and beautifully inlaid with Ivory and Mother-of-Pearl.
SOLID WALNUT OCCASIONAL WINE and CARD TABLES.
SEVERAL HIGH-CLASS PIANOS.
EXCEPTIONALLY CHOICE VASES and BRONZES.
BAMBOO TABLES, MUSIC STANDS, &c.
MAGNIFICENT DINING-ROOM SUITE, SOLID WALNUT FRAMES, covered VERY FINEST MOROCCO, and Upholstered in best curled Horsehair and Copper Springs, consisting of Couch, Lady's and Gentleman's Arm Chairs, Carver's Chair and 10 High Chairs.
A Superb Suite, in perfect condition, recently cost over 100 guineas.
TELESCOPE DINING TABLE, fitted with patent screw, 5 spare leaves, best English maker, on double runners, Extending to 13ft.
Extension Table in Oak, 2 spare leaves, 6 x 4.
DINING-ROOM SUITE, Spanish Mahogany Frames, upholstered in very best style, and covered best quality roane.
MAGNIFICENT SOLID WALNUT SIDEBOARD, shaped front, splendidly carved, extra large bev. glass back, and fitted with cellarette, plate drawers, &c., size 6ft.
OTHER SIDEBOARDS, in Walnut and Beech. Sizes, 6ft., 5ft., 4ft. 6in., and 4ft.
MAHOGANY DINNER WAGGON with Enclosed Cupboards.
ESCRITOIRE BOOKCASES in WALNUT, very finest make, and fitted throughout.
SPLENDID HALLSTANDS in Walnut and Tasmanian Blackwood.
Extra QUALITY WILTON and BRUSSELS CARPETS.
BLACK MARBLE CLOCK, Strikes Hours and Half-hours, with Cathedral Gong.
DINNER SERVICE, Old Willow Pattern, heavily gilt, about 130 pieces.
DESSERT and TEA SERVICES, Choice Patterns.
MASSIVE BEDSTEAD, solid Brass Footrail, full Pearl mounts, Size 6ft. 6 x 4ft. 6, with best Treble-woven Wire Mattress, Curled Horsehair Bed, Bolster, and two Pillows.
HEAVY BRASS-MOUNT BEDSTEADS, Double and Three-quarter Sizes, with Best Quality Bedding.
SUPERB BEDROOM SUITE in SOLID WALNUT consisting of
BREAK-FRONT WARDROBE, 6ft. Bevelled Shield-shaped Glasses, 10 Hanging Compartments, Centre Cupboards, Recess Drawers, &c.
PAIR CHEVAL TOILETS, 4ft. 6, of most unique design and of the very finest manufacture.
BEDROOM SUITES in SELECTED POLISHED PINE, &c. IN VARIOUS STYLES.
WARDROBES, COMBINATIONS, M.T. WASHSTANDS, TOILET TABLES.
ELEGANT FRENCH CHINA TOILET SETS.
KITCHEN DRESSERS, with glass doors.
SAFES, TABLES, and SUNDRIES.
PATENT MANGLE, 2-Roller.
SPLENDID OFFICE WRITING DESK, very best English make.
IRON SAFE, ROLL-TOP DESK, BOOKSHELVES.
M. SYMONDS and CO. have been favoured with instructions TO CONDUCT THE ABOVE IMPORTANT SALE on WEDNESDAY NEXT, at 11 a.m.
Catalogues are now being prepared, and will be posted any address on Monday.
ON VIEW on TUESDAY, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

THIS DAY, SATURDAY, at 3 p.m. PUBLIC AUCTION SALE at NEWTOWN MARKETS.
MIDDELTON and CO. will sell whole contents 10-roomed House of Furniture, removed to the markets for convenience of sale. NO RESERVE.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, at 2.30, FOR UNRESERVED SALE. AT THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET.
SUPERIOR COLONIAL-MADE FURNITURE, comprising HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITES in Walnut, Ash, and Polished Kauri Pine. SUPERIOR TOILET TABLES and COMBINATION CHESTS. CEDAR and PINE CHESTS of DRAWERS (in various sizes). SINGLE and DOUBLE WARDROBES (conveniently arranged and fitted with Mirror Plateglass Doors). HANDSOMELY DESIGNED SIDEBOARDS (with Bevelled Plateglass Backs and fitted with Drawers, Cellarettes, &c.). EXTENSION DINING TABLES, DRAWING and DINING ROOM SUITES, &c., &c.
HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY (late HARRIS and ACKMAN), Auctioneers, &c., 199 Pitt-street.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18th, at 11 a.m. FOR SALE BY AUCTION. AT THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET. UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE IMPORTERS.
10 Barrels No. 8 DOUBLE TAPE SAFETY FUSE, ea. 300 coils
QUANTITY of ENGINE PACKING
3 Casks BRAZILWOOD CHIPS for dyers
8 Cases BORO PHENOL DISINFECTANT
INVOICE of GENERAL IRONMONGERY, Napping Hammers, Clout Nails, Wrought Staples, Clasp Nails, Door Hangers, 1 Seamless Steel Cylinder, Tube Brushes, &c., &c.
20 Kegs FINISHING and American CUT NAILS, ea. 100lb.
100 Drums BOILED OIL, ea. 5 galls.
3 Tons WHITE LEAD, ¼ cwt. kegs
2 Ditto PATENT DRYERS LEAD, ea. ¼ cwt. kegs
20 Cases SHOE BRUSHES
3 Cases SUPERIOR TABLE CUTLERY
50 Doz. HALTERS, assorted
3 Casks CHINA DESSERT PLATES
10 Cases CHINA CUPS and SAUCERS
20 Crates EARTHENWARE CROCKERY
2 Tons SOFT SOAP, in casks, 3cwt.,
and other lines in GENERAL HARDWARE, IRONMONGERY, &c.
HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY (late HARRIS and ACKMAN), Auctioneers, &c., 199 PITT-STREET.

THURSDAY, MAY 19th, at 11 a.m. FOR SALE BY AUCTION. AT THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET.
COLONIAL MANUFACTURED CLOTHING, comprising MEN'S FINE SERGE SUITS, TROUSERS, BOYS' and YOUTHS' SUITS, TROUSERS, &c., all of the latest style and cut.
AND CONSIGNMENTS of GENERAL DRAPERY, 15 Doz. "Ringwood" Woollen Gloves, 25 Pieces Oriental Muslin, 28in.; Fancy Skirt Pins, Brooches, &c.; 4 Rolls Lancaster Window Blinds, 36in.; 1 Roll Canvas, 36in., 105½ yards.
100 JAPANESE RUGS, assorted sizes.
24 BRUSSELS SQUARES and TAPESTRY CARPETS.
INVOICE of WATERPROOF COATS and OILSKINS, BUGGY RUGS, &c., &c., and On Account of Whom it may Concern, 7 Pieces BUCKRAM (500 yards).
Also BOOTS and SHOES, English and Colonial Manufacture, in LADIES', MEN'S, BOYS' and YOUTHS', and CHILDREN'S, Every range of sizes.
HENRY HARRIS AND COMPANY (late HARRIS and ACKMAN), Auctioneers, &c., 199 PITT-STREET.

FRIDAY, 20th MAY, at 12 NOON, MOST IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE of BICYCLES, AT THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET.
The BALANCE of our STOCK of THE CELEBRATED ECLIPSE BICYCLES, Ladies' and Gent.'s, comprising in all about 40 machines of the highest grade. Also, 17 HIGHEST GRADE HENLEY BICYCLES, and Several Others by noted makers.
50 Boys' and Girls' CYCLOPS BICYCLES.
HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY (late HARRIS and ACKMAN), Auctioneers, &c., 199 Pitt-street.

TUESDAY, MAY 17th, at 11.30 a.m. FOR POSITIVE SALE BY AUCTION, AT THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET.
Under instructions from Messrs. GERBER, MICHAUT, and COMPANY, THE CEYLON TEA SHIPPERS' ASSOCIATION, THE INDIAN TEA SHIPPERS' ASSOCIATION, and other Importers.
581 PACKAGES NEW SEASON'S CEYLON TEAS, now landing ex s.s. Orizaba, &c., from Colombo. PEKOE SOUCHONGS, PEKOES, ORANGE PEKOES, BROKEN ORANGE PEKOES, and CURIO BROKEN ORANGE PEKOES.
168 PACKAGES NEW SEASON'S INDIAN TEAS, ex s.s. India, &c., from Calcutta. PEKOE SOUCHONGS, PEKOES, and ORANGE PEKOES.
380 Packages FOOCHOW TEAS, ex Mail Steamers from Foochow. FINEST FIRST CROP PANYONGS. 1129 Packages.
Also, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE IMPORTERS,
4 Cases DRIED HERBS, ea. 6 doz.
1200 Gals. SWEET RED and CLARET WINES
70 Cases CONDENSED MILK
30 Cases PURE COCOA, ¼, ½, and 1lb. tins
3 Casks LEMON PEEL, in brine, 148lb.
3 Casks PURE RASPBERRY JUICE
6 Cases BAVARIAN HOPS, 1lb. and ½lb. pkts.
150 Boxes DRIED APRICOTS and PEACHES, ea. 20lb.
12 Cases N. Z. PUMICE SOAP
22 Cases CORDIALS
30 Cases HOBART JAMS
50 Cases LEMON and RASPBERRY SYRUP
150 Cases PILSEN LAGER, qrts., 1 B
80 Cases Pilsener Lager, 1 B
80 Trays MALAGA MUSCATELS
10 Cases BLOCK CAMPHOR, ea. 60lb.,
and other lines in GENERAL GROCERIES, WINES, SPIRITS, BEERS, &c.
250 Cases SNOWFLAKE KEROSENE, 150°.
Also, On Account of Whom it May Concern (Hall in diamond), 400 Cases BOAR'S HEAD STOUT, qrts.
SAMPLE CASES to be seen at our rooms, and INSPECTION ORDERS obtainable to view bulk at the Australian Bond.
And 7 Cases MANILLA CIGARS, 1B.
HENRY HARRIS AND COMPANY (late HARRIS and ACKMAN) will hold the above IMPORTANT SALE by Auction, at the Mart, 199 Pitt-street, on TUESDAY NEXT, 17th MAY, at 11.30 a.m. CATALOGUES and SAMPLES obtainable at the ROOMS. TERMS AT SALE.

STRONGMAN AND WATSON, the Well-known AUCTIONEERS and AGENTS, beg to tender their warmest thanks to the Gentry of the Various Suburbs who sent to THEIR NEW SALEROOMS
A MOST ATTRACTIVE LOT of GENERAL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and ELEGANT APPOINTMENTS, PIANOFORTES, PLATE, &c., for their FIRST SALE in their NEW and COMMODIOUS SALEROOMS,
BURWOOD-ROAD, BURWOOD STATION,
and which in spite of counter attractions (other sales) in those suburbs, and bad weather and other drawbacks, proved A DECIDED SUCCESS.
Further Consignments in any quantity of good Furniture may be sent any day in anticipation of the next Sale, which takes place on or about 1st June, and will be fully covered by insurance while here.
The Safe Storage of Furniture for persons temporarily giving up housekeeping is also a success. Four lots are already in our upper room, only 80ft. long by 40ft. wide. Can store the contents of a dozen residences at one time easily.
CHARGES REMARKABLY LOW.

IMPORTANT PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION of ATTRACTIVE and VERY NATTY ART FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS.
"GLENVIEW," WILGA-STREET, BURWOOD.
NEXT WEDNESDAY MORNING, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK PROMPT.
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
Under instructions from the esteemed owner, who is giving up housekeeping.
The contents of the Villa Cottage is exceptionally nice and tasteful, and should have attention of Persons Furnishing and requiring good, well-kept things.
Charming Carpets, Curtains, Linos., Suites of Drawing, Dining, and Bed Rooms, all requisites, spick and span; Electroplate, Cutlery, A1 quality; Beautiful London Pianoforte and Singer Sewing Machine, both nearly new; Linen, Mangle, Grand Gas Stove, Poultry, Canary, Plants, Tools, &c., &c.
CATALOGUES PREPARING.
STRONGMAN and WATSON, AUCTIONEERS, Telephone, 500 Burwood.

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Auction Sales.

SYDNEY TURF CLUB RACES.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Secretary of Sydney Turf Club to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, on MONDAY Next, 16th instant, at 12 o'clock, The Right to Collect at Entrance Gates and St. Leger Reserve for above meeting, at Randwick on Saturday, 21st, and Tuesday, 24th instant.

SPECIAL SALE OF HORSES, &c.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, on TUESDAY NEXT, at 11.30 o'clock, A number of Saddle and Harness Horses. Ditto Vehicles, &c., of all kinds.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Importers to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, on WEDNESDAY, May 25, at 12 o'clock, A large number of New Vehicles, consisting of Buggies, Phaetons, Dogcarts, Sulkies, Pony-carts, &c., &c., &c. Amongst them is a Hooded Sulky with rubber tires, extra well finished, and worthy the inspection of medical men and others.

CAMPERDOWN HORSEYARDS.

TUESDAY, MAY 17th, at 2.30 P.M.

HILL, CLARK, and CO. are instructed by J. I. Bergin, Esq., Grammere, to sell by auction, as above,

44 Head of Well-bred Horses, broken and unbroken, consisting of HEAVY and ACTIVE DRAUGHTS and exceptionally WELL-GROWN LIGHT HORSES by "FREE-TRADER." They are all one brand, direct from the breeder. Are now at Narrabri. Our agent there advises they are a particularly good lot, with plenty of size, good ages and condition.

CAMPERDOWN HORSE YARDS.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, at 2.30 p.m.

80 HORSES.

HILL, CLARK, and CO. will sell by auction as above,

FOR FRANK WILLMOTT, Esq., BULLARAH: 20 HORSES, chiefly broken in saddle and harness sorts, and a few Draughts. Some of the light horses are advised as specially good.

FOR E. A. TRAYNOR, Esq., MOREE: 10 Head, advised as a particularly good lot of well-grown Light HORSES, and some active Draughts.

FOR F. E. BODY, Esq., BUNDEMAR: 10 Head grand COLTS, 3 and 4 years old, unbroken, 16 hands, with bone and size, by Loiterer out of grand mares.

FOR E. J. WINTER, Esq., INGLEWOOD FOREST: 10 Head, broken to, and reliable Draughts. A specially good truck.

FOR R. MITCHELL, Esq.: 10 Head, broken in saddle and harness, Horses of a particularly good class.

THIS DAY, May 14, at 10.30 a.m.
At the CENTRAL AUCTION ROOMS, 274 PITT-STREET.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS. UNDER BILL OF SALE.

VERY SUPERIOR BEDROOM SUITE, in Solid Cedar, Beaconsfield Wardrobe, Pair Toilets, &c.
CEDAR SIDEBOARD, p.g. Back; Dining Table, Chests Drawers, Wardrobes, Combinations
DOUBLE and SINGLE BRASS and NICKEL MOUNTED BEDSTEADS, Wire Mattresses and Bedding
Austrian Chairs, Lounges, and Settee
Several Large Carpets in first-class order, Linoleum, Pictures, Dinner Ware, Large Counter and Nests of Shop Drawers, Kitchen Tables, Dressers, Plate Rack, Kitchen and Laundry Utensils, &c., &c.

A. G. JENKINS will sell as above, THIS MORNING.

MONDAY, May 16, at 11 a.m.
At the CENTRAL AUCTION ROOMS, 274 Pitt-street.
Under Instructions from the CURATOR OF INTESTATE ESTATES
In the Estate of Julia M. Pritchard, Ah Gow or Sooey Chew, Wm. Burckhardt, Charles Chowler, James Lambie, Isaac Williams, Wm. M'Currach, Walter Scott Johnson, and E. J. Pinchbeck, all deceased.

A. G. JENKINS has been instructed to sell a large quantity of PERSONAL EFFECTS on MONDAY.

In an Assigned Estate of Country Draper.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE.

WEDNESDAY NEXT, MAY 18th.

To Town and Country Drapers, Storekeepers, Dealers.

JAMES RODD and CO. are instructed to sell by auction in their Rooms, 7 Wynyard-street, on WEDNESDAY Next, at 11,
Small Stock Drapery, in an Assigned Estate.

WITHOUT THE SLIGHTEST RESERVE.

Also, Stock of SAMPLES of INDENT AGENT.

Dress Goods, Cashmeres, Serges, Coatings, Flannels, Flannelettes, Tweeds, Underclothing, Calicoes, Rugs, Blankets, Sheetings, Aprons, Hosiery, Laces, Cords, Mercery, Clothing, &c., &c.

Also, on account of those concerned:
2 Cases Ladies' Straws
200 Rugs, assorted
1 Case Coloured Dress Serges.

THURSDAY, 19th MAY, 1898, at 11.30 a.m.

By order of Messrs. A. TANGE and CO.

840 PACKAGES CHOICEST CEYLON AND INDIAN TEAS.

Several of the Choicest Gardens in Ceylon, Assam, and Darjeeling are represented in this Catalogue.

FRASER, UTHER, and CO. will sell by auction, at the CITY MART, 81 PITT-STREET, as above. Musters on view. Particulars in Catalogues.

AT THE EXCHANGE SALEROOM (THE EXCHANGE, BRIDGE-STREET).

ON THURSDAY, MAY 19th, 1898, AT 12.15 O'CLOCK (noon).

Under Instructions from Messrs. BROWN and CO.

FOR ABSOLUTE AND POSITIVE SALE BY AUCTION.

542 PACKAGES INDIAN TEAS, ALL NEW SEASON'S (1897-98), comprising an Assortment of Good Medium to Fine PEKOE SOUCHONGS, PEKOES, and ORANGE PEKOES, from the Dooars, Assam, and Darjeeling Districts.

H. W. CAREY and CO., TEA BROKERS, &c., 18 BRIDGE-STREET, SYDNEY.

SAMPLES on show and Catalogues at the Brokers' Offices.

UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by public auction, at his Rooms, 247a Pitt-street, on MONDAY and WEDNESDAY, May 23rd and 25th instant, the UNREDEEMED PLEDGES pledged with Mr. GEORGE SCOTT, 886 Castlereagh-street, on the undermentioned dates:—

CLOTHING.

1897.—November—1st, skirt, jacket, overcoat; 4th, macintosh; 6th, s b gun, piece longcloth; 8th, suit; 11th, 34 pieces cutlery; 13th, 34 pieces cutlery, 6 prs stockings, 2 prs child's shoes, and 2 pieces calico; 16th, 2 petticoats, 2 bedgowns, 1 pr drawers; 17th, pr buggy lamps; 22nd, suit; 27th, skirt and jacket; 30th, 4 pictures. December—1st, coat, vest, and trousers; 2nd, macintosh, coat, vest, trousers; 4th, suit; 11th, 40 pieces cutlery; 21st, macintosh; 23rd, coat and vest; 24th, sac coat; 27th, trousers and vest, skirt and child's dress; 28th, 2 suits, dress, boy's suit, skirt and sundries.

1898.—January—3rd, umbrella and rug; 4th, 3 sheets, pr trousers and tablecloth, suit; 8th, pr trousers; 10th, coat, vest, and trousers, silk shirt and 2 sheets; 11th, rug; 12th, 2 blankets and quilt; 14th, coat, vest, trousers, and pr boots; 18th, petticoat, sheet, and 5 pieces; 20th, suit; 22nd, sundries, quilt, and 10 pieces; 24th, coat, vest, trousers; 25th, macintosh; 27th, suit; 29th, skirt, jacket, tablecloth, w basket, silk skirt, jacket, violin and bow in case; 31st, 2 sheets and 10 pieces.

1897.—October—22nd, ship's sextant; 29th, 5 pr specs. November—23, overmantel and picture. December—10th, a crescent bicycle, 1848.

JEWELLERY.

1897.—August—19th, gold albert and locket; 20th, 2 gold rings; 21st, g opal ring; 23rd, sil h E l watch 793565, g horseshoe ring in case, g stone brooch 1 stone out; 24th, g wed ring, g nugget brooch, gold ring inst "Coolgardie" in box; 28th, sil h gen watch 169934 and chain; 26th, g wed ring; 31st, o f gold gen watch 87858. September—6th, g ring; 11th, sil h E l watch 74575, and g chain; 15th, sil watch 99041 and chain; 18th, sil h E l watch 16845 and chain; 27th, g wed ring. October—6th, g albert and g spark pin; 9th, sil Wal watch 1317847, sil h E l watch 2203; 13th, sil h E l watch 8700; 16th, sil h E l watch 101948, sil h E l watch 67264 and chain; 18th, sil watch 24658 and chain; 24th, o f F sil watch B55779 and sil chain; 23rd, single stone diam ring.

November—1st, g bracelet init "Vau" 1891; 5th, g h gen watch 23426, chain and trinkets; 8th, g 2-stone diam and ruby ring, sil h gen watch 28771 and gold locket, sil demi h gen watch 74296, sil chain and 2 trinkets; 10th, f sil gen watch, g chain, locket and ring, g albert.

Also, a quantity of pledges of 5s and under, and all goods kept back from previous sales.

TUESDAY, MAY 17th, at 11 a.m.

UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION, at the residence of Mr. RIPLEY, FALCON-STREET, NEAR WEST-STREET, NORTH SYDNEY, the whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, TWO SEWING MACHINES, GAS STOVE by Fletcher, KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS, &c., &c.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have received instructions from Mr. RIPLEY to sell the above, without reserve, on TUESDAY, MAY 17th, at 11 a.m.

Terms, Cash.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, at 11 a.m.

ATTRACTIVE SALE BY AUCTION, at the residence of C. J. MARSHALL, Esq., DUNTRUNE and HAMPDEN STREETS, FERN HILL, of the whole of his SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have been favoured with instructions from C. J. Marshall, Esq., to conduct the above sale, at his Residence, Fern Hill, on WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY, at 11 a.m.

TERMS, CASH.

NO RESERVE WHATEVER.

GRAHAM'S (late) NURSERY, AUBURN.
POT PLANTS, BULBS, &c.
THIS DAY, MAY 14th, at 2.30 p.m.

A. D. GIBBONS will sell by public auction, at the Nursery, Chisholm-road, Auburn, Pot Plants, Ferns, Trees, Flowering Shrubs of all descriptions, in lots to suit purchasers.

Terms, Cash. No Reserve.

To the Boot Trade, Storekeepers, Dealers, and Others.

AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET.

On TUESDAY NEXT, May 17, at 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

MEN'S, WOMEN'S, and CHILDREN'S BOOTS and SHOES, comprising

Men's Calf Balmorals, tan and black, 5-10
Women's Glace Oxford Shoes and Balmorals, 3-7
Children's Glace E S. and Bals., patent vamp
Women's Glace E.S., seam to toe, 3-7
Children's Ankle and Overstrap Shoes, 4-6, 7-10
Men's Calf Golosh Bals., Yale toe, 5-10
Girls' Glace Oxfords, pat. vamp, 7-10, 11-1
Women's Glace Court Shoes, 3-7.

Also, LARGE ASSORTMENT COLONIAL MANUFACTURE, &c., &c., &c.

A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the above at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, on TUESDAY Next, May 17, at 11 o'clock sharp.

AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET.

On TUESDAY NEXT, May 17, at 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

On Account of those Concerned.

Complete set of BOOT SAMPLES.

ABOUT 1500 PAIRS, MEN'S, WOMEN'S, and CHILDREN'S.

A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the above at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, on TUESDAY Next, May 17, at 11 o'clock sharp. WITHOUT RESERVE.

To the Wholesale and Retail Furnishing Trade, Country Buyers, Dealers, and Others.

AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET, on WEDNESDAY NEXT, MAY 18, at 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

On Account and Risk of Consignors.

4 Cases FANCY AUSTRIAN CHAIRS, No. 53, Thonet's
6 Ditto ditto ditto ditto, with brace, Kohn's
6 Ditto ditto ditto ditto. Kohn's
3 Ditto ditto ditto ditto, No. 150, Kohn's
5 Cases WALNUT AUSTRIAN CHAIRS, No. 14
3 Cases BLACK AUSTRIAN CHAIRS, with brace, Kohn's
6 Cases BEDSTEADS, 2in. Taper Posts, Brass Rods head and foot, Extending Rail, 6.6 x 4.6, Smith's
1 Case FRENCH MARBLE and BRONZE CLOCKS
25 Sets CARVERS, in cases, 2 and 3 pieces
25 Sets Electroplated SPOONS and FORKS, ea. 5 doz.

Also, LARGE ASSORTMENT WALNUT OVERMANTELS.

A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the above, at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, on WEDNESDAY Next, May 18, at 11 o'clock sharp.

To Piano Warehousemen, Music Sellers, Dealers, and Others.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.
AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET.
ON THURSDAY NEXT, MAY 19,
AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.
ON ACCOUNT OF THE CONSIGNORS.
Trial Shipment of
6 UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOS,
in Polished Walnut Cases, Full Trichord, Overstrung, Double Iron Frame, Latest Improvements, ON THE LIPP SYSTEM.
From the well-known Manufacturers, "COMPAGNIE CONCORDIA."
1 DITTO DITTO, DITTO, "RUBENSTEIN."

A. TRAVERSI AND CO. will sell the above, at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, on THURSDAY Next, May, 19, at 11 o'clock sharp.

AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET.

ON FRIDAY NEXT, MAY 20, at 11 o'clock sharp.

On Account and Risk of those concerned.

Just Landed,
25 ENGLISH-MADE BICYCLES. 25
The well-known Wheel, "THE MOSELEY."
Also,
AN ASSORTMENT OF VARIOUS SECOND-HAND MACHINES.

A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the above, at their Rooms, on FRIDAY Next, May 20, at 11 o'clock sharp.

TO GROCERS, TRADE BUYERS, and OTHERS.
TOTALLY UNRESERVED SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY NEXT, at 11 a.m.
In Assigned Estate of E. S. WILKINSON, at 268 Liverpool-road, Summer Hill (close station).
WELL-ASSORTED STOCK GROCERIES, Tinned Fruits and Meats, Pickles, Sauces, Jellies, Salad Oil, Candles, Starch, &c.
SMALL LOT HARDWARE and STATIONERY
BRASS SCALES and WEIGHTS, Butter Scales and Weights, AVERY SCALES and WEIGHTS (4cwt.), Coffee Bins, &c.
LARGE MARBLE SLAB, Bottle Stand, Nest Drawers.
THOROUGHLY QUIET BAY HORSE, stand trains and trams
GOOD SULKY and SET HARNESS.

STRONGMAN and WATSON are favoured with instructions from the ASSIGNEES to sell as above, Without Reserve.

Terms, Cash.

THIS DAY, MAY 14th, at 2 o'clock.
Katoomba-street, opposite Carrington Hotel, Katoomba.
Under instructions Mrs. Kennedy.
First-class Piano (by Wood, splendid tone), Sideboards, Extension Dining Table on castors, 4 H.T. Black-and-gold Beds and Bedding, Washstand and Ware, Bedroom Furniture, Linos, Platedware, Ornaments, Pictures, Dining-room and Kitchen Furniture.

GEO. P. BAINES sells as above. Bona-fide Sale.

TO DEALERS and PARTIES FURNISHING.
THIS DAY, at 2.30 p.m.
On the Premises, Grafton-street, off Waverley-road, near Bondi Junction.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
BRASS-MTD. ½ TESTER BEDSTEAD, very massive
Magnificent WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE
WALNUT SIDEBOARD, Canopy Top, B.P.G. Back
WALNUT OVERMANTEL, B.P.G.
SPLENDID 6 x 3 DINING TABLE, W.S.
SUPERIOR DINING-ROOM SUITE of 9 PIECES
Also, Sing. ½ Tester Bedsteads, Drawer, Tables, Go Cart, Linoleums, Oilcloth, Pictures, Crockery, Glassware Kitchen Utensils, &c. Also E.P. Ware, Bed Linen, and Sundries.

EVANS and CO. have received instructions from the Mortgagees to sell, as above.
ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.
EVANS and CO., Auctioneers,
Telephone, 2779. 52 Castlereagh-street, city.

To BOOT MANUFACTURERS, TANNERS, and MACHINERY MERCHANTS.

AUCTION SALE on the PREMISES, 110 and 112 BOTANY-ROAD, ALEXANDRIA.

FRIDAY, 20th May, at 2.30 p.m.

JAMES COWAN, MACHINERY AUCTIONEER, 266 PITT-STREET, has received instructions from Mr. J. W. JOHNS to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION on the above date, in consequence of alterations to the premises, as hereunder,

1 6 H.P. GAS ENGINE, nearly new, 1 Steam and Hand SCREW PRESS, 1 Hand-power HEELING MACHINE, 1 Steam-power HOIST, 1 Large Iron Girder, TANNER'S LEATHER ROLLER, top and bottom rollers of which are GUN METAL, 1 No. 1 CHAFF CUTTER, 1 2 H.P. Horse Gear, 1 Heavy SCREW PUNCH, 1 SCREW PRESS, Iron Table.

Without reserve. Terms, cash.

R A N D W I C K.

THIS AFTERNOON, SATURDAY, MAY 14th, 3 P.M.

LAND SALE, ON THE GROUND.

13 CHOICE ALLOTMENTS.

HALF-ACRE BLOCKS, with Frontages to RAINBOW, MOUNT, PEROUSE, and PIRATE STREETS.

Also, Block of Ground, DUDLEY and MELODY STREETS,

In the Prettiest and most Healthy Suburb of Sydney.

Its natural beauties are unsurpassed.

These VILLA SITES are close to the Tram, and are situated in splendid positions, commanding uninterrupted views of COOGEE and BOTANY, and adjoining Bangor Park, and opposite the magnificent residences and grounds of T. R. Perry, Esq., J.P., and T. Fox, Esq., J.P.

TITLE TORRENS.

TERMS: 25 per cent. DEPOSIT, balance 3 YEARS 5 per cent.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO., AUCTIONEERS, 324 George-street.

ESTATE MRS. REBECCA ASSENHEIM, Deceased.

MOUNTAIN LANDS. EARLY PICKED SELECTIONS. CHARMING SITUATION. LARGE AREAS.

LOT 1.—Wentworth Falls: Block in area 20 acres, having frontages to Blaxland and Waratah roads.
LOT 2.—Wentworth Falls: 16 acres 3r. 3ip., frontages to View-road and Blaxland-road.
LOT 3.—Wentworth Falls: 6 acres 3 roods 26 perches, portion of sec. C on D plan 1184, on the railway line.
LOT 4.—Blackheath: Lot 1, sec. 15, frontages to Prince Edward-street and Leichhardt-street, in area 2r. 34p.
LOT 5.—Blackheath: 1 acre, lot 3, sec. 11, 200 links to Govett-street; depth, 500 links.

Day of Sale
THURSDAY, 26th MAY, 1898, at 11.30 a.m.,
at the Rooms, 250 Pitt-street, Sydney.

Title, Torrens Act.

The above is recommended to investors, speculators, and others desiring mountain homes.
Plan on view.
Inspect Queen's Birthday.

ERNEST C. V. BROUGHTON, Auctioneer.

NEWTOWN, St. Mary-street. Capital Building Site 32 by 80, part of Brig.'s Estate, securely fenced.
PARRAMATTA, Jessie-street.—119 by 122, lots 5 and 6, sec. 3, Westmead Estate.
BOTANY.—40 x 120, lot 15, sec. 7, Hancock's Garden.
MERRYLANDS, 132ft. to Monitor-street by 208ft. to High-street, and 66ft. to Windsor-road. ROSE BAY, land 75 by 145
MOSMAN, Avenue-road.—W.B. Shop and Dwelling, containing 4 rms. and kit., washhouse, bathroom, pantry, and stable. Shadforth-street.—A W.B. Cottage, 6 rooms, kit. and w.h., land 40 by 100. Torrens.
SYDENHAM, Garden-street.—A Terrace of 5 Cottages, Nos. 11 to 15, brick, each 3 rooms, rentals 20s per week. Torrens. Always let. Land 55 x 100.

AUCTION SALE at the Rooms, 250 Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 26th MAY, at 11.30 a.m.
E. C. V. BROUGHTON, Auctioneer.

RICHARDSON AND WRENCH, Ltd.,

AUCTIONEERS and VALUATORS,

SALES EFFECTED BY AUCTION OR PRIVATELY.

PROPERTIES LET.

RENTS and INTERESTS, &c., COLLECTED.

ESTATES MANAGED.

Valuations Made for all Purposes.

The SALEROOM is the LARGEST, BEST LIGHTED, and VENTILATED, in the CITY.

FOR POSITIVE SALE.

WHITE-STREET, LEICHHARDT, close to Roselle Bay, recently reclaimed.

SHOP and DWELLING, 2 semi-detached COTTAGES, Detached COTTAGE, W.B. COTTAGE, and a Brick COTTAGE, fronting WHITE-STREET, and known as Mr. Carl Brodersen's property. Clearance Sale in ONE LOT, on account of owner leaving colony. Annual rental £114 8s per annum.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 20th May, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above. Full particulars in future advertisement. (3177)

HOMEBUSH, HOMEBUSH, a pleasant, healthy, and convenient Railway Suburb.

WAMBIANA, a superior and commanding Family Residence of brick (cemented), slate roof, having verandah, porch, balcony, wide hall, drawing and dining rooms (folding doors), library, breakfast-room, 4 main bedrooms, 2 servants' rooms, bathroom, smokeroom, conservatory, kitchen, laundry, scullery, &c. At rear are spacious stabling and carriage premises.
The grounds are simply a charm, variously improved into shrubbery, flower-beds, tennis lawn, sward, and with orchard and kitchen garden.
LAND has an area of 1 acre 22 perches, or 100ft. to BURLINGTON-ROAD, 156ft. frontage to ABBOTSFORD-ROAD, depth through of larger part is 400ft. A remarkably desirable home, near the station, in a dry climate; the building is most substantial and highly finished throughout, having well-proportioned rooms, marble mantels, handsome cedar fittings, a neat greenhouse, fernery, and rockery are appropriately placed over grounds. The sewerage was made a special care, regardless of cost.
The neighbourhood is select, with good style of residences, and Wambiana is allowed to be an exceptionally worthy property. The Lady Vendor desires to sell.
TORRENS TITLE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 20th May, at 11 o'clock,
The above. Cards to view on application. Messrs. Iceton and Faithfull are Solicitors for vendor. (3179)

MAY-STREET, GEORGE-STREET WEST.

THREE DWELLINGS, Nos. 48, 50, 52 May-street, built of brick, having each two rooms and kitchen; rental, £54 12s yearly; small Houses, that should command tenants and prove a good investment.
AUCTION SALE, FRIDAY, 20th MAY, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

PADDINGTON HEIGHTS.

BY ORDER OF ADMINISTRATOR.

The EQUITY OF REDEMPTION in and to ALLOTMENT of LAND, 20ft. frontage to WALTER-STREET, and 20ft. to MARTIN-STREET, depth through 120ft. On it are erected COTTAGE, No. 12 WALTER-STREET, of brick on stone, verandah, and containing 2 rooms, 2 verandah rooms, kitchen; COTTAGE, Martin-street, containing 2 rooms. RENTAL, £34 2s per annum.

AUCTION SALE FRIDAY, 20th MAY, at our Rooms, at 11.30 a.m.
(3201) RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

SPLENDID SITE on the hill, strikingly effective views, with profitable ORANGERY and ORCHARD.

VALUABLE PROPERTY over 44 ACRES, on the Kissing Point-road,
about 3 miles on Sydney side of Parramatta, and close to a new railway station on the Rosehill railway line.
This valuable Orchard is situated on three sides of a hill, right in the centre of the rich Dundas Valley, and though elevated is sheltered by the Brush Farm and Pennant Hills from the north and west winds. The Orchard comprises some 35 acres of very choice fruits, for which the basaltic soil is so suitable. The whole is in first-class order, and the fruit trees range from 2 to 30 years, all being healthy.
The Cottage, on the crown of the hill, is of hardwood, containing 6 rooms, with other 4 rooms attached. Ten acres are bush paddock. Water supply has never failed.
The Property has a frontage to the Main Road to Ryde and a large frontage to a road on the west leading to Steamers' Wharf on Parramatta River.
A gentleman could here conjoin a beautiful home situation with a pleasant reproductive enterprise at little cost of maintenance.
Inspection Invited.
AUCTION SALE, FRIDAY, 20th MAY, at Sydney, at 11 o'clock.
(3184) RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

Important Sale of Valuable CITY, SUBURBAN, and COUNTRY PROPERTIES.
By Order of the Mortgagees.
1. HYDE PARK, CITY.
A centrally-situated BLOCK of LAND, having 50ft. 5in. frontage to the west side of ELIZABETH-STREET, between Bathurst and Liverpool streets, with a depth of 68ft. 7in. Torrens title, on which is erected two-story House thereon.
No. 251 ELIZABETH-STREET,
built of brick cemented, on stone foundation, containing hall, 8 rooms, and outhouses.
, A magnificent site for modern Residence, opposite the beautiful Public Resort, HYDE PARK.

2. LEWISHAM,
on the Southern Side of Railway, close to the Station.
A Detached Cottage, comprising No. 6 VICTORIA-STREET, opposite HOBBS-STREET, built of brick (cemented), on brick foundation, with verandah front and rear, and containing hall, 5 rooms, bathroom, pantry, kitchen, and washhouse, gas and city water. Land, 40ft. x 90ft. back to a lane. Torrens Title.

3. BALMAIN.
Elevated position, close to Mort's Dock.
Edinburgh-terrace, of two-story HOUSES, Nos. 149 to 159 ROUNTREE-STREET, north of Bay-street, built of brick on stone foundation, with verandah in front and balcony at rear, and containing each 4 rooms and washshed. Land, about 88ft. 7in. x 76ft. back to a lane.

4. BALMAIN,
a short distance south of the above.
A BUILDING SITE, comprising lot 3 of a Subdivision, Waterview Bay, having about 20ft. frontage to the east side of ROUNTREE-STREET, north of Bay-street, depth 70ft. back to a lane.
5. OATLEY, ILLAWARRA LINE.
Immediately at the Railway Station, on the western side of line.
123 ALLOTMENTS, comprising the residue of the NEW OATLEY TOWNSHIP SUBDIVISION. Plan on view at Rooms of the Auctioneers. Torrens Title.
6. PORT MACQUARIE.
The residue of the well-known IRVINE ESTATE, consisting of various Farms, fronting HASTINGS RIVER and RAWDON ISLAND CREEK, a subdivision of James Munn's Grant, portion No. 59, parish of Cairncross, county of Macquarie. Torrens title. Plan on view at the Rooms.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 20th May, at 11 o'clock,
The above Properties. (3152)

POSITIVE SALE, BY ORDER OF MORTGAGEE.

BALMAIN FREEHOLDS.

Lot 1. REYNOLDS and MULLENS STREETS.—The NORFOLK PINE HOTEL, at the corner of these main thoroughfares. It is of brick, painted, stone foundation, balcony in front, and containing cellar, bar, 10 rooms, kitchen, and washshed. The land has about 41ft. frontage to Mullens-street and 95ft. to Reynolds-street.
, At the corner of two busy streets.

Lot 2. SHORT-STREET, Waterview Bay.—TWO COTTAGES, Nos. 31 and 33 Short-street, between Curtis-road and Darling-street. They are of brick on stone, verandahs in front, and each containing 2 rooms, attic, and kitchen. LAND 38ft. to Short-street, depth about 90ft. RENTAL £55 2s per annum.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 20th May, at 11 o'clock,
The above. (3191)

CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES.
By Order of the EXECUTOR of the Estate late Mr. JOHN GLOVER.

LOT 1.—KENT-STREET, CITY. THREE HOUSES, Nos. 126 to 130 Kent-street North, built of stone and brick; two have verandahs and balconies in front, and each contains 4 rooms and kitchen; one has 2 rooms, 2 attic-rooms, and kitchen. The LAND has 60ft. frontage, with a depth ranging from 68ft. to 81ft.

LOT 2.—MOSMAN'S BAY—OCEAN VIEW, a Villa, at the corner of Glover and Spofforth streets. It is of brick, cemented on stone, verandah and balcony front, side, and rear, and containing hall, 5 rooms, pantry, kitchen, washhouse. The land, a corner block, has 73ft. 9½in to Glover-street and 156ft. 7½in. to Spofforth-street, lane at rear. TITLE TORRENS.
, A choice position, commanding pretty and extensive views. Tram passes the property.

LOT 3.—Allotments 3 to 8 CENTENNIAL Estate, each 40ft. frontage to GLOVER-STREET, depth 156ft. back to lane.
, Level Sites, a few feet from Lot 2 (above).

LOT 4.—PITTWATER.—2 ACRES and 27¾ PERCHES, being lots 36 to 38 of section 1, MONA VALE ESTATE, on main road Manly to Newport, at its junction with Government road. On it is a COTTAGE of brick and weatherboards, containing 4 rooms and kitchen, stabling.

LOT 5.—PITTWATER.—Weatherboard COTTAGE of 2 rooms, with 3 ACRES 1 ROOD and 29¾ PERCHES, being lot 56 of sec. 1, MONA VALE ESTATE, fronting Bassett-street, off Main road.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 20th May, at 11 o'clock,
The above.
W. S. GRAY, Esq., 118 Pitt-street, is Solicitor of the Estate. (3189)

RANGATIRA.

UPPER WYCOMBE-ROAD, NEUTRAL BAY.
A Commodious COTTAGE RESIDENCE, built of brick, cemented, on stone foundation, with verandah front and sides, and containing 10 rooms, &c.
The Grounds, which have 125ft. frontage to UPPER WYCOMBE-ROAD, with a depth of 180ft., extending back to a lane, are neatly laid out as lawn tennis ground with bush-house.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 27th MAY, at 11 o'clock,
The above attractive Cottage Residence, Upper Wycombe-road, Neutral Bay, occupied by J. T. Bryant, Esq.
Title Leasehold, having about 80 years to run. Ground rental £31 5s per annum. (3207)

DARLING-STREET, BALMAIN.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

SHOP and DWELLING, No. 216 DARLING-STREET, between JANE and ANN STREETS. LAND, 36ft. frontage by 132ft. back to a lane.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 27th May, at 11 o'clock,
The above, full particulars of which will appear in a future advertisement. (3202)

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

FOREST LODGE, GLEBE, opposite Lackersteen's Factory.

FREEHOLD BLOCK of PROPERTY, consisting of THREE HOUSES and FIVE COTTAGES, Nos. 67 to 81 OLD PARRAMATTA-ROAD; also, SIX COTTAGES and Stables, in Baker's lane at rear. Title, TORRENS ACT.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 20th May, at 11.30 a.m.,
Block of Land, having 127ft. frontage to Old Parramatta-road, Forest Lodge, with a depth of 148ft. to 134ft. On it are erected the following of brick, on stone foundations:—
OLD PARRAMATTA-ROAD.—Nos. 67 to 71, THREE HOUSES, verandahs and balconies, and each containing 4 rooms, kitchen, and washshed. No. 71 has half-hall and 1 room in addition. Nos. 73 to 81, FIVE COTTAGES, verandahs in front, 4 have each 2 rooms and kitchen, 1 has hall, 3 rooms and kitchen.
AT REAR.—SIX COTTAGES, Nos. 1 to 6; 2 have each 4 apartments, 4 have each 3 rooms, stabling of wood.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

ERSKINEVILLE.

ALBERT-TERRACE.—THREE HOUSES, Nos. 64 to 68 BRAY-STREET, each of brick, fronts cemented, verandahs and balconies, and containing 5 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, and washhouse, rental £50 16s per annum. The LAND has 40ft. frontage to Bray-street, depth 104ft. 4in. through to Coulson-street.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 20th May, at 11 o'clock,
The above.
W. M. BARKER, Esq., is Solicitor of Mortgagee. (3190)

LANE COVE RIVER.
LONGUEVILLE, known as "TREGULLUS."
A neatly-designed Weatherboard COTTAGE, with ONE ACRE of Grounds, having 165ft. frontage to STUART-STREET with a depth of 264ft. Torrens Title.
By order of the Mortgagee.
Messrs. Richardson and Thompson, Pitt-street, solicitors for the Mortgagee.
Auction Sale at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 27th MAY, at 11 o'clock.
(3206) RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.

CENTRAL CITY PROPERTY,
in the busy part of PITT-STREET,
a few yards south of Market-street, and in close proximity to Her Majesty's Theatre and the extensive premises of Farmer and Co. and Tattersall's Club.
A Valuable Block of Land, having 19ft. 9in. frontage to the east side of PITT-STREET with a depth of 112ft., width at rear 28ft. 8in., on which is erected that well-known City Land Mark,
GIGHAM'S RESTAURANT,
No. 194 PITT-STREET.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, in conjunction with Messrs. RAINE and HORNE, will sell by auction at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 27th MAY, at 11 o'clock.
The above Valuable City Property. Full particulars in a future issue. RENTAL £230 per ANNUM. (3205)

B A L G O W L A H, on the HEIGHT of MANLY.
The Balance of the BALGOWLAH ESTATE, comprising THIRTY-NINE Building ALLOTMENTS, fronting the MAIN SPIT-ROAD, HILL, LA PEROUSE, and AUSTIN STREETS. Plan on view at the Rooms.
Auction Sale at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 27th MAY, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.

PADDINGTON and NORTH ANNANDALE.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

PADDINGTON.
Lot 1.—Two semi-detached HOUSES, Nos. 92 and 94 PADDINGTON-STREET, PADDINGTON. Rental, £85 16s per annum.
Lot 2.—ARLINGTON, a Brick Residence, at the corner of Paddington and William streets. Rent, 18s per week.
Lot 3.—DWELLING, No. 34 Little Underwood-street. Rent, 12s per week.

NORTH ANNANDALE.
Lot 4.—VACANT LAND, ALLOTMENTS 22 to 25, of sec. 30, having 80ft. frontage to MAYES-STREET, between Reserve and Collins streets, and west of Young-street.
VACANT LAND, ALLOTMENTS 29 to 32 ditto ditto.

The TITLES to ALL the above are under TORRENS ACT.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 27th May, at 11 o'clock,
The above, full particulars of which will be published in a future advertisement. (3203)

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

NEWTOWN, handy to Tram on Enmore-road.

TWO COTTAGES, Nos. 28 and 30 AUGUSTUS-STREET, between Phillip and London streets, north of Enmore-road. Land, 35ft. frontage by 128ft. along a side lane. Torrens Title.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 27th May, at 11 o'clock,
The above. Further particulars will appear in a few days. (3204)

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.
ANNANDALE, fronting Johnston-street and the Borough Reserve.
TWO handsome, commodious, and comfortable Residences, nearly new, delightfully situated, in a commanding position, with good lookout, having 6 and 7 rooms respectively, and brick washhouse, &c.; built of brick, slate roof; each has verandah and balcony. LAND, 52½ft. x 82½ft.
Rental as £110 per annum.
£750 to remain at 5½ per cent. interest for 1 year 6 months.
A pleasant spot in a progressive borough of attractive surroundings.
For AUCTION SALE FRIDAY, 27th May, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

OXFORD-STREET, WAVERLEY.
To INVESTORS, CAPITALISTS, and Others.
For Positive Sale.
TERRACE of 7 SHOPS with RESIDENCES, known as RETRIEVE-TERRACE.
ANNUAL RENTS, £364.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction at their SALE ROOMS, 109 Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 26th May, at 11.30,
THE ABOVE INVESTMENT.
Further particulars see future issue.

NEWTOWN, 19 IREDALE-STREET,
Handy to King-street.
FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.
CHELTENHAM HOUSE, built of brick, and containing 6 rooms, kitchen, pantry, washhouse, copper, &c., also large workroom. Title Torrens.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction at their SALE ROOMS, 109 Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 26th May, at 11.30, as above.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

WILLOUGHBY—CHATSWOOD.
ALLEYNE PARK, close to Electric Tram Terminus.
Lots 38, 40, High-street, 132 x 132.
Lots 80, 81, Alleyne and Gibbs streets, each 66 x 132.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction at their SALE ROOMS, 109 Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 26th May, at 11.30 a.m.

WAHROONGA.
Over 600ft. above SEA LEVEL.
WAHROONGA HOUSE and GROUNDS, fronting Burns-road, Grosvenor and Trafalgar streets. The Residence contains drawing, dining, breakfast, and 8 bed rooms, kitchen, 2 bathrooms, 2 pantries, scullery, &c., coach-house and stables.
CITY WATER. LAND 1½ ACRE.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction at their SALE ROOMS, 109 Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, 26th May, at 11.30 a.m.
P.S.—A CHANCE to those in search of a Residence in this favourite district.

60 ACRES OF RICH AGRICULTURAL LAND.

J. B. JOHNSTON has received instructions from David Hall, Esq., Cressfield, to sell by public auction, SATURDAY, 21st MAY, 1898, at the Rooms, Baker-street, Windsor, at 2.30 p.m.,
All that 60 ACRES (more or less) of RICH AGRICULTURAL LAND situated in the parish of Wonga, county of Hunter, having a frontage to Webb's Creek of 40 chains.

This property adjoins the properties of Mrs. C. Douglass and the Misses Rose, is close to the Public School and Blaxland's Crossing, and is now rented to Mr. North at a good rental.
Further particulars upon application to the auctioneers.

WILLIAM WALKER, Solicitor for the Vendor, Windsor.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

SATURDAY FOLLOWING QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

AUCTION SALE on the GROUND,

SATURDAY, 28th MAY, at 3.30 o'clock,

By Order of the Mortgagees.

AVOCA ESTATE, TURRAMURRA (200 yards from railway station), comprising
63 ACRES, subdivided into CHOICE VILLA SITES and SMALL ORCHARD and NURSERY BLOCKS.

TORRENS TITLE. TORRENS TITLE.

Terms very Liberal, viz.,
£10 per cent deposit, balance in quarterly payments, extending over 5 years. Interest, 5 per cent.

D. J. M'INTYRE and CO., Auctioneers, 30 Junction-street, North Sydney.

, Illustrated Guide to Milson's Point Railway line and Plan of the Avoca Estate on application.

NORMANTON CATTLE PROPERTY.

INVERLEIGH.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.

In the Estate of the late Major COLLESS.

GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO., Limited, have been instructed to offer by auction at the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, Sydney, through their Auctioneer, Mr. George Maiden, on THURSDAY, 30th June, at half-past 2 o'clock,
The Inverleigh Cattle station, situated about 45 miles south-west of Normanton, comprising
327½ square miles of Leasehold
838 ditto ditto Occupation License,
giving an estimated total area of 916 SQUARE MILES available.

THE COUNTRY is well adapted for cattle, being well grassed, undulating, lightly timbered, and open plains.
WATER.—The Run is naturally watered by Morning Inlet and Creek and several springs of a permanent character, providing ample for present stock, but good conservation could be carried out at a moderate outlay.
FENCING.—25 miles of good substantial fencing on the Run, and encloses nine paddocks.
STOCK.—Consists of, more or less,
10,000 Head of cattle of mixed ages and sexes
400 to 500 Head of Horses.
GRAZING CAPABILITY.—It is estimated that with a moderate outlay in water conservation the property could carry with ease
30,000 HEAD OF CATTLE.

The Auctioneers would call particular attention of capitalists to this investment, as the property is a good one, and can be worked economically, and would not now be in the market but for the death of the late owner.
In addition to the ordinary markets a good trade with Inverleigh has been opened up with Torres Straits.
For further particulars apply
GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO., Limited, Sydney.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

1. WOOLLAHRA, WELLINGTON - STREET.—"STONEBY," Residence built of brick, with slate roof, containing 8 rooms, &c., occupied by Miss Morehead. The land has a frontage of 40ft. by a depth of 190ft. to a lane at the rear. Title, Leasehold, about 96 years to run. Ground rent, £8 6s 8d per annum.
2. QUEEN-STREET, WOOLLAHRA.—House, No. 41, adjoining and being portion of the Queen's Hotel, built of brick, slate roof, containing 4 rooms and kitchen. Land 20ft. by 100ft. to a lane. Title, Torrens Act.
3. PADDINGTON, WINDSOR-STREET, No. 77, House, built of brick, slate roof, containing 4 rooms, kitchen, &c. Land, 12ft. 6in. by 105ft. to a lane. Title, Torrens.
4. ANNANDALE, ALBION-STREET, Nos. 97, 99, 101.—Two W.B. Cottages, with roofs, each containing hall, 3 rooms, and kitchen, each let at 6s per week; also, w.b. stables and coachhouse (No. 101). Land, 57 x 74. Title, Torrens.
5. ANNANDALE, ALBION-STREET, Nos. 85, 87, 89, 91.—Four brick-built Cottages, each containing 3 rooms and kitchen, each let at 6s per week. Land, 50ft. Title, Torrens.
6. ANNANDALE, MAYES-STREET.—Mayes'-terrace, consisting of 3 brick-built Houses, each containing 4 rooms, kitchen, balcony and verandah, each let at 8s per week. Land, 38ft. by 90ft. Title, Torrens.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Salerooms, 133 Pitt-street, at 11.30 o'clock, on
WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 1898,
The above-described properties.
Mortgagees' Solicitor, R. S. Lambton, Esq., Beresford-chambers, 80 Castlereagh-street.

POSTPONED TILL SATURDAY, MAY 28th, 1898.
B O N D I E S T A T E.
DUNRICH'S SUBDIVISION
for AUCTION SALE on the Ground,
SATURDAY, MAY 28th, 1898, at 3 o'clock.
25 Allotments, 40 x 135 to 165 ft., fronting
GEORGINA-STREET
HALL-STREET
SOPHIA-STREET.
PLANS ARE NOW READY FOR DISTRIBUTION, TORRENS TITLE.
Splendid Building Allotments, situate near the Bondi Tram Terminus and the Links of the Royal Sydney Golf Club.
HARDIE and GORMAN, Auctioneers.

BY ORDER OF THE MASTER IN EQUITY.

ESTATE OF MARY TURNER BOULTER, Deceased.

Nos. 413, 415, 417 GEORGE-STREET,
occupied by Lassetter and Co., Limited, Prices Bros., and Cowles and Dunn. The buildings are of brick and stone, but are totally unsuited for so magnificent a position.
The rentals from the property are £20 10s weekly, or £1066 yearly, the old leases expiring about July next.
The Land has the noble frontage of about 60FT. to GEORGE-STREET by a depth of about 75FT. 10IN., backing on to the land which fronts York-street.

This Property occupies a unique business position, next to Lassetter and Co., Limited, a little north of MARKET-STREET, on the west side of GEORGE-STREET, close to the HANDSOME PILE OF BUILDINGS recently erected by the SYDNEY CORPORATION, and in the centre of a very busy and important part of the city.

CAPITALISTS and BUSINESS FIRMS are specially invited to inspect before the day of sale.
This Site is worthy the erection of good modern premises.
The Title is Freehold.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, Sydney, at 11.30 a.m., on
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 1898,
The above-described Property, known as Nos. 413, 415, and 417 GEORGE-STREET.
J. MURRAY WHITE, Esq., Phillip-street, Solicitor for the Estate.

IN 2 LOTS.
THE CORNER. THE INSIDE BLOCK.
GEORGE and PITT STREETS, adjoining CHRIST CHURCH property, and within a few hundred yards of the REDFERN RAILWAY STATION.
Under definite instructions from the Honourable the MINISTER for LANDS.
TERMS:—25 per cent. deposit, and the balance in 5 months without interest, or in 5 equal instalments at the end of 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 years from day of sale, with interest at 5 per cent. per annum.
THESE MAGNIFICENT BLOCKS OF CITY BUILDING LANDS have the following measurements:—
THE CORNER—85ft. 5½in. to GEORGE-STREET
50ft. 4in. to PITT-STREET.
THE INSIDE BLOCK—80ft. to GEORGE-STREET
94ft. 9½in. to PITT-STREET.
Plans at the Rooms.
BANK and INSURANCE CO. MANAGERS, CAPITALISTS seeking a GOOD SITE for the erection of SHOP PREMISES, BUSINESS PEOPLE building for their own requirements, SHOULD INSPECT the PROPERTY and attend the Sale, as INSTRUCTIONS to SELL are VERY POSITIVE.
THE POSITION IS THE BEST in this part of the city being so very CONSPICUOUS and CENTRAL.
MILLIONS of PERSONS pass the property not only to the RAILWAY STATION and other parts of the CITY, but also to all the WESTERN SUBURBS.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions from
The HON. J. H. CARRUTHERS, MINISTER for LANDS,
to sell by public auction in their Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m., on
WEDNESDAY, 8th JUNE, 1898,
the property at the Corner of GEORGE and PITT STREETS, Sydney, in TWO LOTS, as before described.

ABSOLUTE SALE, TO CLOSE THE TRUST.
By ORDER of E. J. WILSHIRE, Esq., SOLE TRUSTEE, TO INVESTORS AND BUSINESS PEOPLE.
GEORGE-STREET, in the City of Sydney.
The Main Artery and Commercial Thoroughfare,
Between BATHURST and LIVERPOOL STREETS.
On the Eastern, which is the more valuable and more thronged side of the street, close to Banks and other important business houses, and abutting on the property of the new Central Police Court,
A HIGHLY IMPORTANT BLOCK OF LAND, possessing the noble frontage of
99ft. 11in. to GEORGE-STREET,
by a depth of over 81ft., with right-of-way and lane at rear, upon which are erected buildings as follows:—
No. 624 GEORGE-STREET is occupied by Mr. Clack
No. 626 GEORGE-STREET is occupied by Mrs. Doherty
No. 628 GEORGE-STREET is occupied by Mr. Davis
No. 630 GEORGE-STREET is occupied by Mr. J. H. Mayer
No. 632 GEORGE-STREET is occupied by Mr. French
No. 634 GEORGE-STREET is occupied by Mrs. Liddy.
The Property is to be sold in one lot, as per plan on view at the Rooms, 133 Pitt-street.
THE RENTS RECEIVED ARE £1292 10s YEARLY.
THE SITE IS WORTHY THE ERECTION OF MODERN SHOP PREMISES.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received absolute instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms 133 Pitt-street, at half-past 11 o'clock, on
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8th, 1898,
The above-described City Building Land and Shops.
TITLE, FREEHOLD. TERMS AT SALE.
Solicitors for the Estate, Messrs. FISHER, RALFE, and MACANSH.

For Absolute Sale.
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.
THE GRAMBALANG ESTATE, SINGLETON
ABOUT 4000 ACRES OF PASTORAL, AGRICULTURAL, and COAL LANDS, situate about 4 miles from the Township, having two miles of frontage on each side to the GREAT NORTHERN-ROAD, a good frontage to Warra Creek-road and the Hunter River, and adjoining and close to the following properties:—Rix's Creek Coal Mine; Smart's Estate, Dulwich; Bowman's Estate, Archerfield; and the Maison Dieu Estate (Brown's).
The Estate is fenced and divided into large paddocks, well watered from the river and creeks. The land consists of high belts of good timbered country and large flats (cleared).
The improvements consist of wood and iron Cottage, occupied by Mr. Elliott, and a Brick Cottage of 4 rooms and outbuildings occupied by the tenant of the Estate.
Title, Freehold.
Messrs. DIBBS, GIBSON, and PARKER, 92 Pitt-street, Solicitors for the Mortgagees.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m. on
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 1898,
The Grambalang Estate, Singleton, in area 3946 acres, comprised in the following Grants, parishes of Auckland and Darlington, county of Durham:—
640 acres, m. or l., J. T. Threlkeld (portion of 1110ac. grant)
626 acres, ditto, William Webb
760 acres, ditto, John Wiseman
640 acres, ditto, John Wiseman
640 acres, ditto, John Wiseman
640 acres, ditto, John Martin Davis (portion of 1280ac. grant).

3946 acres.

Quite irrespective of past or future prices, the Mortgagees are determined to sell. In addition to the surface value either for pastoral or agricultural purposes, the mineral value for coal has been proved, and shafts now down on the property show the value and extent of the seams, and in addition the property adjoins a COAL MINE NOW BEING WORKED.
SINGLETON, a progressive town in the North, is about 5 hours' run from Sydney; the climate is bracing, the old Estates in the district have for years conserved a character and given a good reputation to this part of the country, whilst the great advantages of a good water supply are often difficult to secure in a large Estate like this.
TERMS: Cash, or a large portion of the purchase money may remain at 5 per cent.

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE Mrs. EMMELINE ROBERTS.
SURRY HILLS, CROWN-STREET, RIGHT AT OXFORD-STREET, SNUG INVESTMENT, EXCELLENT POSITION.
A TERRACE of FOUR HOUSES, substantially built of brick, known as Nos. 241, 243, 245, and 247 CROWN-STREET, each containing hall, 5 rooms, attic, bathroom, kitchen and laundry, back yard, &c. Also, a Brick-built COTTAGE at rear, known as No. 28 PHILLIP-LANE, containing 3 rooms, kitchen, &c. The whole Let, and producing a total rental of £309 8s per annum. The LAND possesses 74ft. 6in. frontage to Crown-street by a depth of 100ft. along a lane to Phillip-lane at rear.
TITLE FREEHOLD. RILEY ESTATE.
Messrs. Norton, Smith, and Co., solicitors, O'Connell-street.
N.B.—This Property is always let to good-paying tenants of long standing, but the position is such as to justify any purchaser CONVERTING THE PRESENT HOUSES on the Crown-street frontage INTO SHOPS, which would let readily at HIGHLY REMUNERATIVE RENTALS.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction at their Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8th, 1898,
The above-described Property.

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.
THE WANSTEAD ESTATE, opposite THE WARREN, TEMPE, COOK'S RIVER.
TO BUILDING SOCIETIES, SPECULATORS, SYNDICATES, and OTHERS.
118 ACRES 1 ROOD 28 PERCHES,
fronting the waters of COOK'S RIVER, and roads well made through and bounding the Estate.
The property is within two minutes of the Tempe Railway Station, and five minutes of the omnibuses, only 4 miles from Sydney, being ten minutes by train.
This Estate, which has been held intact so many years, and known as the property of the late E. Campbell, Esq., is now being offered under conditions peculiarly advantageous to buyers of these large blocks.
It is eminently suited for subdivision, comprising some of the most elevated sites in the neighbourhood, besides a large area being more sheltered and well suited for orchard and fruitgrowing purposes, or the whole property could be converted into very desirable recreation grounds, tea gardens, &c., &c.
The stone from the quarries on this Estate is equal to the best Pyrmont, and has been approved and used for the erection of the Medical School at the University.
PLAN ON VIEW.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, at 11.30 o'clock on
WEDNESDAY, 8th JUNE, 1898,
The above-described Suburban ESTATE.

SANS SOUCI.—9 Lots, having about 1248ft. frontage to VISTA and PLIMSOLL STREETS, adjoining the residence and grounds of E. J. Rust, Esq., overlooking KOGARAH BAY, and close to the TRAM from Kogarah Railway Station.
FOR SALE, CHEAP, AND ON VERY EASY TERMS, in BUILDING ALLOTMENTS or LARGE BLOCKS, as purchasers may desire.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell as above, in their Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, Sydney, at 11.30 a.m. on
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 1898.
Title Torrens. Plans at the Rooms.

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.
MIDDLE HARBOUR, CLOSE TO PEARL BAY, LONG BAY, and THE SPIT.
A CHARMING BLOCK OF LAND, containing an area of about 24 ACRES, occupying a grand position, and commanding GOOD VIEWS of MIDDLE HARBOUR.
The PROPERTY is known as CAMPBELL'S, and is capable of subdivision in Marine Sites of small areas. The termini of the trams from North Sydney and Mosman's Bay, at the top of the Spit Hill, are only about 15 minutes' walk from the land, and the proposed extension to THE SPIT and MANLY would greatly enhance the value of the property, and bring the locality into great demand for residential purposes.
FREEHOLD TITLE. EASY TERMS.
PLAN ON VIEW AT THE ROOMS.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions from the MORTGAGEES to sell by public auction, at the Sale Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, at 11.30 o'clock, on
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8th, 1898,
The above-described BLOCK of LAND at MIDDLE HARBOUR.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.
WHOLESALE UNRESERVED CLEARANCE SALE.
By Order of the Directors of a large Monetary Institution.
COTTAGES, SUBDIVISION BLOCKS, and BUILDING ALLOTMENTS, situate in the following localities:—

Strathfield	Burwood	Marrickville
Rockdale	Coogee	Manly
Auburn	Hurstville	Bondi
Botany	Parramatta	Kogarah
Beecroft	Granville	Castle Hill
Field of Mars	Guildford	Five Dock
Fairfield	Bankstown	Tennant Hills
Willoughby	Hunter's Hill	Enfield
Rookwood	Rooty Hill	Campbelltown
Penrith	Liverpool	Cabramatta
Sutherland	Riverstone	Minto
Blacktown	Hartley	Rydal
Katoomba	Newcastle	Armidale
Mittagong		

DESCRIPTIVE PAMPHLETS giving the fullest particulars are in course of preparation.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell as above, in their Rooms, 133 Pitt-street,
ON AN EARLY DATE.
Fuller particulars will be advertised later on.

WAVERLEY, next to the Mansion of R. Craven, Esq., BIRRELL and DICKSON STREETS,
LARGE BLOCKS—MAGNIFICENT OCEAN VIEWS.
Also,
WAVERLEY, corner of HENRIETTA, SALISBURY, and WILEY STREETS,
close to the Waverley Park.
These two Blocks are now being SUBDIVIDED into LARGE SITES for Houses and Villas, and SMALL SITES for Cottages and Bijou Residences, and
WILL BE OFFERED AT AUCTION ON the GROUND ON AN EARLY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.
TERMS: 10 per cent. deposit, 15 per cent. in 3 months no interest; and the balance in 1, 2, and 3 years at 5 per cent. interest.
VENDOR'S SOLICITOR, THOS. MARSHALL, Esq., Pitt-street.
HARDIE and GORMAN, Auctioneers.

TUESDAY, 17th MAY, 1898.

BY PUBLIC AUCTION,

THE GOWRIE ESTATE AND COALMINE,

DARLING DOWNS,

QUEENSLAND,

10 miles from Toowoomba.

THE DANGELONG ESTATE,

MONARO DISTRICT,

N.S.W.,
10 miles from Cooma.

GAIR, SLOANE, and CO. have received instructions from the Trustees in the Estate of the late Hon. George King to sell by public auction, on 17th MAY, 1898,

AT THE HALL OF COMMERCE, SYDNEY,

at 3 p.m.,

THE GOWRIE ESTATE AND COALMINE,

10 miles from Toowoomba.
1650ft. above sea level, cool and enjoyable climate, ample rainfall.

44,126 Acres Freehold Land. Title Guaranteed.
Compact Block Magnificent Grazing and Agricultural Land.
The Cream of the Darling Downs.

Country rich black and red loamy chocolate soil plains, intersected by small belts and clumps of timber, with a few stony ridges and sugar-loaf hills. Open and sloping forest, with loamy creek frontages, the whole presenting a most pleasing and picturesque appearance. Natural advantages render the whole area particularly well adapted for cutting up and selling in small farms.
The land is free from noxious weeds, prickly pear, marsupials, rabbits, and vermin.
Timber chiefly apple tree and box, judiciously ringbarked, free from suckers and undergrowth.
The Estate has an extensive double frontage to the Western Railway line, coming within one mile of the Gowrie Junction; a large area comes within 1½ mile of the Southern railway line from Brisbane to Sydney—3 to 5 miles from the Crow's Nest Railway line. The proposed railway from the Gowrie coal mine to Goombungee passes through the estate for 9 miles, bringing all parts within easy access of railway communication, thus rendering the whole area admirably adapted for cutting into Farms, and would, no doubt, leave a large margin of profit for a Syndicate or Company as an investment.

LAND SOLD TO FARMERS.

1721 acres south-east side of the Estate, in lots from 25 acres to 50 acres, sold readily, averaging £4 19s per acre, the land sold being inferior to the average value. Local and other farmers are constantly applying to the Estate for land.
Farming is extensively and profitably carried on by the owners. 2750 acres are cultivated, yielding heavy crops wheat, oats, corn, barley, potatoes, rape, sorghum, and lucerne. In the fields there are 14 stacks of lucerne hay, 41 stacks wheat, and 830 acres of corn now being thrashed, averaging 28 bushels of wheat and over 40 bushels of corn to the acre.
Plant.—Extensive Farm and Station Plant in first-class order.
Water.—Amply and permanently watered in all parts and in all seasons by Dry Creek, Gowrie Creek, Oakey Creek, Gamarron and Little Gamarron Creeks; five wells, two wells and three bores, have been sunk, but are not required.
Permanent water can be obtained in almost any part of the Estate at a shallow depth.
Stock: 35,000 Sheep, chiefly fattening
3,000 Cattle, ditto ditto
280 Horses.
Also, Stud Lincoln Flock.
All in splendid condition, including fats.

Improvements.—Gowrie is one of the most perfectly-improved properties in the colony. The improvements have been erected regardless of expense, are in first-class repair, including the MANSION RESIDENCE of the late Hon. G. King, massively built of concrete, large, lofty rooms, hall and cross passage, wide verandah on 3 sides, ornamental grounds, orchard, vineyard, garden, and all necessary outbuildings and well-appointed stables, yards, &c.
Manager's Residence: Comfortable 10-roomed Cottage, wide verandah all round, kitchen, and 4-roomed cottage, outbuildings, and garden; stable, 23 stalls and loose boxes, harness-rooms, feedroom, barn, chaffcutter, and horse works, yards, &c.
Farm overseer's quarters, 10-roomed Cottage and garden.
Storekeeper's Cottage, store, and implement shed.
Carpenter's, Blacksmith's, and Butcher's Shops.
Men's quarters, 6 Cottages.
Woolshed, 26 shearers, fitted up with Wolseley's machines.
Shearers' huts, yards, &c.
Fencing, 143 miles, dividing the property into 45 paddocks.

COAL MINE.

Situated quarter of a mile from the Western Railway line, 2 miles from homestead, 12 miles from Toowoomba.
From its position and railway communication commands the whole of the southern, western, and south-western markets. The completion of the proposed railway line from the coal mine to Goombungee will enhance the value of the mine considerably. The coal underlying the property possesses an enormous value.
The depth of the Seam is about 60ft. from the surface, 3ft. 6in. in thickness, free from water. The coal is bright and lustrous, recognised the best gas, steam, and household coal found in Queensland, it is easily worked, lying very evenly, the direction of the dip south-east 1 in 36.
The number of men employed, 70 to 80. The mine has gradually improved its position, and after returning the whole of the money advanced in starting it, and paying for a new shaft and workings, and the construction of a branch line to the old siding, had left the handsome profit upon the year's working 30th July, 1897, of £3084 1s 7d.
The property being freehold has a decided advantage over the majority of coal properties, in not having any Royalties to pay.
The Railway Department takes large supplies of coal, and great quantities find its way into local consumption.
Gowrie, with its extensive railway communication, pastoral, agricultural, and mining industries, promises in the near future to become the busy centre of industrial life supported by a large and thriving population.
The Auctioneers desire to call the attention of Capitalists to this splendid opportunity of acquiring a large area of the richest land in Queensland with payable coal.
Gowrie has been in the hands of the present owners since 1866, and has never before been offered for sale.

D A N G E L O N G E S T A T E.

12 MILES COOMA.

MONARO DISTRICT, N.S.W.

7,602 Acres Freehold Lands
5,610 „ C.P. „
600 „ Crown „

13,802 Acres.

SOUND SHEEP COUNTRY.

TRAP and LIMESTONE FORMATION.

Open plains and lightly timbered dark loamy soil flats, with agricultural land and low, broken, undulating ridgy country.
Improvements are complete and in first-class repair. Comfortable family residence 11 rooms and cellars, kitchen, 5 rooms, laundry, stone coachhouse, stable built of stone and roofed with iron, orchard and flower garden and usual outbuildings, woolshed, huts, yards, &c.
Fenced by 90 Miles 6 wires, dividing the property into 24 paddocks.
Watered by Umaralla River, Cooma Creek, White's Creek, Rock Flat Creek, numerous other creeks and lagoons giving a permanent supply in all seasons.

STOCK.
8700 Sheep, chiefly young ewes to lamb
150 Cattle
50 Horses.

The Stock has been reduced by sales of fats, the usual carrying capacity being 10,000 Sheep, 350 Cattle, and 50 Horses.

DANGELONG should commend itself to anyone in search of a summer retreat with a cool, enjoyable climate.

Buyers will be punctually met at the railway stations, and driven over the properties.

Orders for inspection and other information can be obtained from
GAIR, SLOANE, and CO., 29 Bligh-street, Sydney.

To Mining Companies, Speculators, &c.

BINGARA G.M. CO., in Liquidation.

Marshall's 18 H.P. Portable Engine, Vanner Engine, 10-head Battery by Mort's Dock Co.
Vanners, Rock-breakers, Self-feeder, Pumps, Battery Buildings.

R. G. WATKINS and CO. will sell by auction at Bingara the above completely-equipped Battery Plant on SATURDAY, 4th June.

CHOICE SUBURBAN ALLOTMENTS.

BALMAIN.—MULLENS and ROSSER STREETS, 75ft. to each frontage, depth through up to 227ft.

ERSKINEVILLE.—MALCOLM-STREET, close to railway station and Public School Allotments, each 20ft. frontage.

MARRICKVILLE HEIGHTS.—Corner Block, 54ft. to LIVINGSTONE-ROAD, depth 153ft. 6in. along GLEN-STREET.
Block, 100ft. to ILLAWARRA-ROAD, depth 150ft.

ARNCLIFFE.—BEVERLEY PARK.—Lots 19 to 27, sec. 1, each 50ft. to ROACH-STREET, depth 150ft.; also,
Lots 21 and 22 sec. 4, each 40ft. to KOGARAH-ROAD, depth 110ft.

PARRAMATTA RIVER.—Choice WATER FRONTAGE BLOCK, GLADESVILLE, 102ft. to DICK-STREET, depth up to 243ft.

FIVE DOCK.—WATER FRONTAGE to IRON COVE, 50ft. frontage to CAREY-STREET, depth 200ft.

KOGARAH.—CORNER SITE, GREEN and CROSS STREETS, 66 x 188, lane at rear.

CARLTON.—Good Building Lot, 80ft. to GRAY-STREET, depth 132ft.

MARRICKVILLE.—Level Allotments, 48ft. 6in. by 107ft. frontage to HOLMSDALE-STREET, close to Sydenham-road,

MERRYLANDS.—WOODSIDE ESTATE, 100 x 200, fronting WARRIGAL-STREET, opposite Messrs. Goodlet's Works.

FOR POSITIVE CLEARANCE SALE.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Limited, will submit the above to PUBLIC AUCTION at their Rooms, 88 Pitt-street,
NEXT TUESDAY, 17th MAY, at 11.30 a.m.

SUMMER HILL.

GLENALVA, a COMFORTABLE HOUSE, of Brick, slate roof, containing verandah and balcony, hall, 4 rooms, kitchen, washhouse with bath, copper, tubs, &c., Land 25ft. frontage to Kensington-road, by good depth of 200ft. Title, Torrens.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Rooms, 88 Pitt-street,
NEXT TUESDAY, 17th MAY, at 11.30 A.M.,
THE ABOVE, within a few minutes of the Railway Station.

ABSOLUTE SALE, under instructions from the Owner G. W. WADDELL, Esq.

RANELAGH, DARLING POINT, a well-built DETACHED RESIDENCE, of stone, slate roof, WIDE TILED VERANDAHS and BALCONIES over, containing on GROUND FLOOR spacious hall, 4 reception rooms, conservatory out of breakfast room, and smoking-room leading on to side verandah. On FIRST FLOOR 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, &c., and in WING large kitchen, pantry, storerooms, laundry, servants' bedrooms, &c.

, THE HOUSE, within its own well-wooded grounds, in area nearly ONE AND A HALF ACRES, is situate on the heights overlooking the CITY, amid choice surroundings.

THE LAND has a FRONTAGE of about 162ft. to the DARLING POINT-ROAD, while within half a minute of the CABLE TRAM SERVICE.

, THE OUTBUILDINGS, of stone, comprise stabling for 4 horses, harness-room, coachhouse, good loft, and man's room.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Limited, are instructed to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, the 31st MAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above-described well-appointed RESIDENCE and GROUNDS, in thorough order and repair, in a picked position of this fashionable and favoured locality.
Possession obtainable on 22nd June next, when the present lease will expire.
THE TITLE is TORRENS. TERMS CASH, or, if desired, three-quarters of the purchase money may remain secured by mortgage for 3 years at 5 per cent. interest.

CARDS to view obtainable only from the Auctioneers, BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Ltd.

PRETTY POINT PIPER.
An elevated whilst sheltered position in one of the nicest spots on the eastern shores of Sydney harbour.

ANCONA and ZEPHYRUS, a pair of Semi-detached Residences, exceptionally well built and finished, each contg. hall, drawing and dining-room (with folding doors), 7 bedrooms, kitchen, bathroom, pantry, and many domestic conveniences. One house has basement room, cellarage, and 2-stall stable and buggy shed additional.

By order of the OWNER, who has DETERMINED to REALISE.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Limited, will submit the above to Public Auction at their Rooms on
TUESDAY, 31st MAY, AT 11.30 A.M.
The above RECOMMENDED FREEHOLD INVESTMENT. LAND has frontage 152ft. to WOLSELEY-ROAD, at corner of WENTWORTH-STREET.

TO BREWERS, SPIRIT MERCHANTS, HOTELKEEPERS, and OTHERS.

THE AUSTRALIAN HOTEL, DRUITT-STREET, CITY.
LAND has frontage 45½ft. to Druitt-street by depth about 88ft.
The property will be sold FREE OF LEASE, and THE LICENSE WILL GO WITH THE HOTEL.

By order of the Trustees Estate late J. I. Kettle, Esq.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Limited, will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at their Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, 31st MAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above-described FREEHOLD, WITH ALL PRIVILEGES.
Cards to view and all particulars from the Auctioneers.

ELSWICK ESTATE, LEICHHARDT.

CAERNARVON, No. 29 THORNLEY-STREET, substantially built of brick (cemented and painted) on stone, slate roof, containing hall, 5 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, pantry, laundry, &c., balcony and verandah, gas and water.
Land, 17½ x 105. Title, Torrens.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Limited (with S. T. Rodd), will POSITIVELY SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION, at their Rooms, 88 Pitt-street, on
TUESDAY, 7th JUNE, AT 11.30 A.M.,
The above-described comfortable House, now in occupation of the owner, who is leaving the district. Convenient to tram and 'bus.

MOSMAN HEIGHTS.

THE KEY POSITION, adjoining the Mansion and lovely Grounds of E. M. Sayers, Esq.

COMMANDING UNRIVALLED VIEWS over Harbour, City, and Suburbs.

MANSION SITES, VILLA PLOTS, COTTAGE LOTS.

A LIBERAL PLAN,
now in course of Subdivision by Messrs. Licensed Surveyors Howard and Clarke.

Good Elevation, Perfect Drainage, Level Building Areas. Good Roads, within easy access of tram and ferry. Boating and Bathing facilities near by.

A MONSTER SALE.

In the Estate of the late E. J. King, Esq.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Ltd., are instructed to prepare for
PUBLIC AUCTION SALE, ON THE GROUND, ON AN EARLY DATE,
The above MAGNIFICENT BUILDING SITES.

TITLE, TORRENS. Terms, Liberal.

Horses and Vehicles.

SIMPSON'S SADDLERY WAREHOUSE,

383 GEORGE-STREET, opposite the STRAND,

is the Best and Cheapest House for Every Description of SADDLERY, HARNESS, BAGS, &c.

Give us a Call before Buying Elsewhere, and you will Save Money as well as get GOOD, RELIABLE ARTICLES.

SADDLERS to his Excellency the GOVERNOR.

THE OLD-ESTABLISHED CARRIAGE EMPORIUM for SUPERIOR CARRIAGES and BUGGIES of EVERY DESCRIPTION, with and without Hoods, Side Springs, and Side Bars, &c. BEST MATERIAL and WORKMANSHIP.

W. J. MOXHAM and CO., 19 York-street.

WHEELWRIGHTS and WAGGON-BUILDERS.—Write for prices, Felloes, Spokes, &c., seasoned. ALEXANDER WILKINSON, Wyong.

GOOD newly Covered CART, suit warehouse, hawker, or parcel delivery, in splendid order. Thornecroft, 140 Young-street, Annandale.

SIMPSON'S SULKIES and BUGGIES, good all round

STRONG Pagnel CART, Horse and Harness, suit grocer or laundry, £5 10s lot. Tuke, n. ag., Darl. Pt.

PRETTY cream Pony, new Sulky, Harness, reliable, suit lady. Kidderminster Catt., op. Lambert, Gladesv.

FOR SALE, reliable child's PONY, 12 hands, sound and thoroughly quiet for boy or girl to ride; price 7 guineas. Apply Prestonville, 81 Potts Point.

FOR SALE, elegant lady's Parisian Pony PHAETON, nearly new, good maker, price 25 guineas. Apply Prestonville, 81 Potts Point.

FOR SALE, Baker's Cart, £12; Pony Village, suit grocer, £10; Tray Buggy, £20; D.-seated Hooded Buggy, £12; New Sulky, £10; Harness from 50s. ADRAIN, TYRRELL, and CO., 201 Castlereagh-st.

ADRAIN, TYRRELL, and CO.—Lady Hampden Champion Sulky, trimmed in leather, £12; in American Cloth, £11 10s; First Prize Cut-down Sulky, full mounted, £25; Varnished and Painted Sulkies from £10.

ADRAIN, TYRRELL, and CO., Coach and Buggy Builders, 201 Castlereagh-st. Repairs executed.

REQUIRE ROOM.—Single-seated Hooded Buggy, in perfect order, price £7 10s; also stylish 3-Spring Sulky, with comfortable back and wings, sell cheap. 45 Newtown-road, Darlington, next Foocek's Cordial Factory.

WANTED to Buy, 1000 worn out HORSES, from 5s to £5 given. Robo, 72 Shepherd st., Blackfriars.

WANTED, good second-hand, Single-seated Buggy, light, strong, for country. Particulars, K. T., Herald.

WANTED, Second-hand Cutting CART, cheap. J. Pearce, butcher, Forest-rd., Bexley.

WANTED to BUY, Commercial TRAP or VEHICLE to carry goods; also good HORSE, about 5 years. 567 Dowling-street, Moore Park.

WANTED to Rent, a light open CAB by the week. 18 Phillip-st., Alexandria.

WANTED to Purchase, good, strong, second-hand Spring Van. Apply 128 Parramatta-rd., Petersham.

Machinery.

TO NEWSPAPER PROPRIETORS AND PRINTERS.
FOR SALE.
A VICTORY WEB PRINTING AND FOLDING MACHINE, in first-class condition. Will print and fold a sheet 37 x 51 inches. Included with the machine are a set of new gear wheels, two roller moulds complete, one casting box, one chipping horse, and a set and half of roller stocks.
JOHN FAIRFAX and SONS, S. M. Herald Office.

THE BEST LEATHER BELTING.—A recent test made at the Sydney University showed that our Leather stood 770lb. more per square inch than the Best English, the percentage difference being 19½ per cent. in favour of
PIONEER LEATHER.
We keep the largest stocks, and sell at the lowest prices.
Special discounts for quantities and cash.
J. C. LUDOWICI and SON, Limited, 162 Clarence-street.

BENNIE, TEARE, AND CO. Representatives of TANGYES, LIMITED.
ENGINES, BOILERS, PUMPS, &c., &c., COMPLETE MINING PLANTS. AULDNICK BOILER COMPOSITION.
A. F. Metal, Magnolia Metal. NORTON EMERY WHEELS. TANGYE FUSE, for all kinds of Blasting. Hay-street, Sydney.

R. TULLOCH and CO., PHOENIX IRON WORKS, Crown-road, Pyrmont (Tel., 1358).
HAVE IN STOCK—Colonial Tubular Boilers, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 18, 20 h.p.; also (2) 6-n.p. Marine Boilers, NEW; and
One 50-h.p. Multitubular Boiler, S.H., W.P., 80lb.
One 20-h.p. Hor. Tangye Engine, S.H., G.O.
One 12-h.p. Hor. Penn Engine, S.H., G.O.
(All classes of Boilers supplied on the shortest notice).

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Sole Representative in Australia for
Messrs. JOHNSON and PHILLIPS, Manufacturers of the Celebrated BROCKIE-PELL and JANDUS ARC LAMPS.
91 Pitt-street.

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THE Funeral of the late Miss ESTHER NELSON, beloved daughter of Henry and Rose Nelson, will leave the residence, Fordon, 32 Darlinghurst-road, on SUNDAY, the 15th, at 1.30 p.m., and from the Mortuary at 2.25. L. SAMUELS.

MEMBERS of COURT ROYAL OAK, No. 2222, and Sister Courts of A.O.F. are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of our late Brother, THOS. LANE; to move from his late residence, 168 Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, TO-DAY, Saturday, at 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. By order of our C.R.
G. E. STROUD, Sec.

DOUGHERTY.—The Friends of the late CHARLES PATRICK DOUGHERTY are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, 56 Pearl-street, Newtown, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery.
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TRAVELLERS' HOME LODGE, G.U.O.O.F.—The Members of the above Lodge are requested to attend the Funeral of our late Brother, DAVID BOWEN; to leave 63 Duke-street, Woolloomooloo, on SATURDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for Necropolis.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. SIDNEY SMITH are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Elizabeth, which will leave his residence, Headingly Cottage, Burlington-street, North Sydney, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Willoughby Cemetery.
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KIDNEY.—The Friends of the late Mr. GEORGE S. KIDNEY are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, 57 Green's-road, Paddington, THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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LANE.—The Friends of Mrs. MARY ELIZABETH TURNBULL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved FATHER, Thomas Henry Lane; to move from 168 Forbes-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS SATURDAY, at 2.45 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-street.

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EGAN.—The Friends of the deceased Mr. PATRICK AUGUSTUS EGAN are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his residence, Orient Cottage, Wellington and Edward streets, Bondi, TO-MORROW (Sunday), at 3.15 p.m., for the Waverley Cemetery.
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COX.—The Funeral of the late ERNEST KING COX will move from Cotswold, 171 Macquarie-street North, THIS SATURDAY, at 8.45 a.m., for Redfern station, en route to Mulgoa for interment.
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WILLIAMSON.—The Friends of the deceased Mr. HENRY THOMAS WILLIAMSON are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Dorman, 49 Harrington-street, THIS SATURDAY, at 1.15 p.m., for the Necropolis.
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BASTION.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM SLATTERY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dear SISTER-IN-LAW, Mrs. Fanny Bastion; to move from her late residence, 38 Glebe-street, Glebe, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery.

BASTAIN.—The Friends of JOHN and ETHEL BRISBANE, Jun., are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SISTER, Fanny Bastain; to move from her late residence, 38 Glebe-street, Glebe, at half-past 1, TO-MORROW, Sunday, for Necropolis.

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MACDONALD.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. H. CLINTON, of Marion-street, Enmore, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved DAUGHTER; to move from her residence, 18 Phillip-street, Enmore, TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Newtown Station. E. ANDREWS and CO.

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WANTED, GEN. or L. Help. Apply Afwill, Belmont-rd., Mosman.

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WANTED, strong LAD, used to horse, refs. Apply after 2 o'clock, Cooperage, 36 Enmore-rd., Newtown.

WANTED, young GENERAL, reference. Apply after 11 a.m., 77 Surrey-st., Darlinghurst.

WANTED, young GENERAL. Mrs. Levy, Sarah Ville, Albion-st., Waverley.

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